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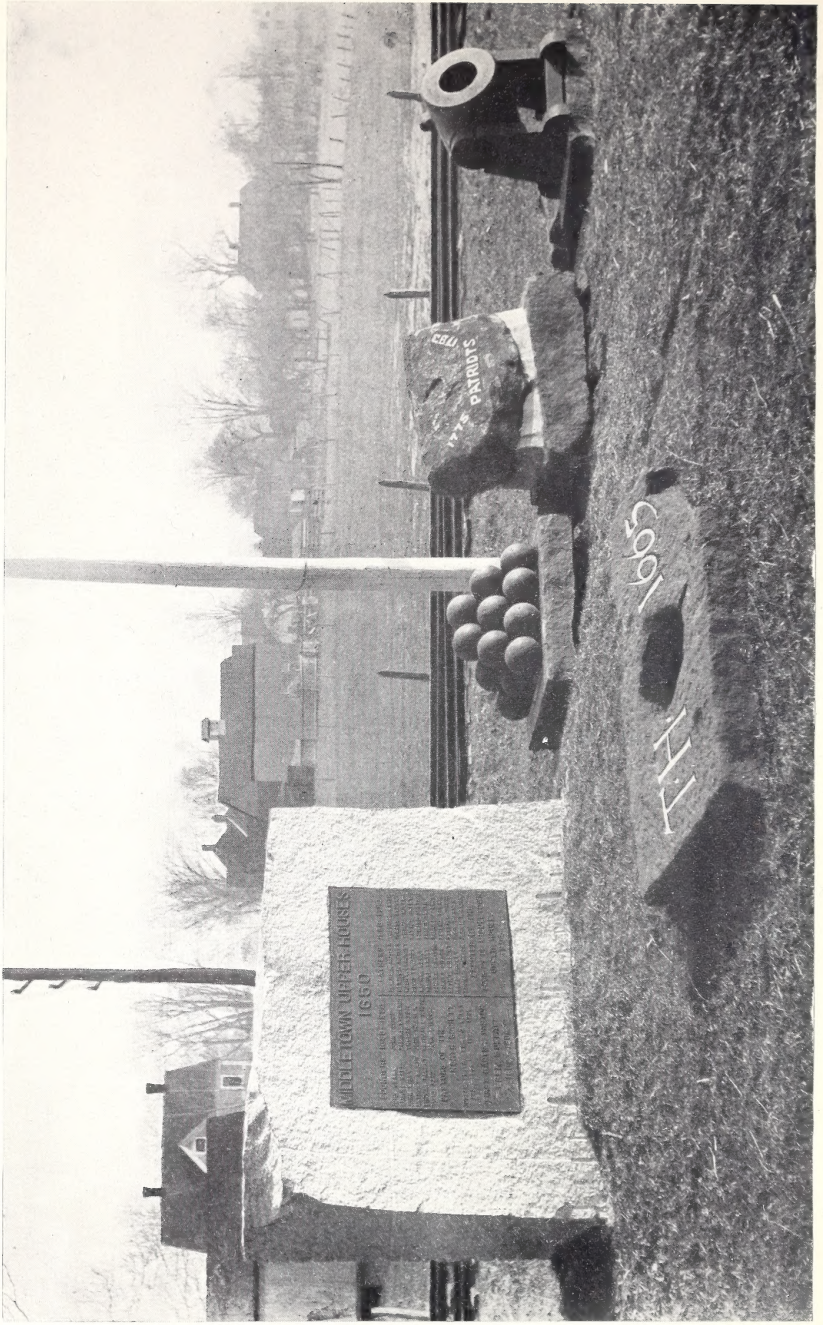
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# MIDDLETOWN UPPER HOUSES

A HISTORY OF THE NORTH SOCIETY OF MIDDLETOWN, CONNECTICUT, FROM 1650 TO 1800, WITH GENEALOGICAL AND BIOGRAPHICAL CHAPTERS ON EARLY FAMILIES AND A FULL GENEALOGY OF THE RANNEY FAMILY

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*This Volume is respectfully dedicated to*

*MRS. HARRIET SAGE WHITE  
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*who bears the names of two and is descended from others of the Founders of Middletown Upper Houses, in grateful recognition of her early and constant interest in the work for which the Society of Middletown Upper Houses exists.*



## PREFACE

In November, 1855, a young man left his college halls for the neighboring village of Cromwell where he taught a winter school. In 1860 by marriage he renewed his interest in that community. Returning in 1888 to pass the remaining years of his life in comparative quiet he gathered up here and there threads connecting those of the day with those of the formative period of this settlement. Little by little the interest deepened and broadened until the desire was born to bring together those of other places to where their honored ancestors had lived and died. And with this came the thought to put into permanent form the story of the records kept here and elsewhere. With the reunion in 1903 the plan was broached to publish a volume and the later reunions strengthened and gave effect to this purpose. The sympathy and encouragement from many directions have made of the toil a pleasant task. At the age of seventy-two the compiler of these pages has the satisfaction of expressing appreciation of all the assistance which has been rendered by many in many ways.

The Society of Middletown Upper Houses, Incorporated, has not only erected its memorials to Founders, Fathers, Pastors and Patriots, but has given its financial and moral support to the efforts of the compiler and without this aid the preliminary work could not have been brought to the point where the material was ready to go into the hands of the printer and publisher.

It could hardly be possible to make a list of the individuals who have given special assistance in the gathering of material and in the spreading of the spirit of enthusiasm and not overlook some one fully worthy of mention. He has cast his net on all sides and the result is given herewith.

To have had the honor of suggesting the name, unanimously adopted by the town on January the sixth, 1902, for our one fine school edifice, the day it was first used for school purposes, The Nathaniel White Public School, is more highly prized than would have been the gift of a lucrative office. On the bronze tablet and on the printed page the school children of to-day and of to-morrow will read the names and recall the deeds of those who first settled here and who long ago rested from their labors.

In 1884 a centennial celebration commemorating the first English settlement beyond the Germans in the Mohawk valley was

held at Whitestown, New York, when due honor was paid to Captain Hugh White who, with his sons, went from here in May, 1784, and constituted the first English family to settle in Central New York. The Hon. William Mansfield White, a descendant of Capt. Hugh White who was a descendant of Capt. Nathaniel White, presided, and he uttered this sentiment:

“Royal blood is an inheritance. Noble blood, if it begets noble deeds, is a blessing. But above all and beyond all, is the inheritance of a pious, God-fearing, God-serving ancestry.”

To have been privileged to set forth the records of such an  
New Year's Day, 1908.  
Cromwell, Connecticut.

*Charles Colvard Adams.*



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## *ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION*

### SOCIETY OF MIDDLETOWN UPPER HOUSES, INCORPORATED.

BE IT KNOWN, That we, the subscribers, do hereby associate ourselves as a body politic and corporate, pursuant to the statute laws of the State of Connecticut regulating the formation and organization of corporations without capital stock, and the following are our articles of association:

Article 1. The name of said corporation shall be The Society of Middletown Upper Houses, Incorporated.

Article 2. The purposes for which said corporation is formed are the following, to wit:

To obtain title to and to hold the plot of land on which our memorials do and are to stand; to foster the spirit of reverence for our ancestors; to hold reunions of our members and of other descendants of families of Middletown Upper Houses; and to gather and to disseminate information historical, genealogical, and biographical concerning Middletown Upper Houses and its families.

Article 3. The said corporation is located in the Town of Cromwell, County of Middlesex, and State of Connecticut.

Dated at Cromwell this 19th day of July, 1905.

S. O. RANNEY,  
CHARLES H. STANTON,  
FRANK L. WILCOX,  
CHARLES COLLARD ADAMS,  
WM. ROLAND WHITE,  
M. C. TREAT,

Names of Subscribers.

STATE OF CONNECTICUT, }  
 COUNTY OF MIDDLESEX. } ss.

Then and there personally appeared S. O. Ranney, Charles H. Stanton, Frank L. Wilcox, Charles Collard Adams, William Roland White, and M. C. Treat, signers of the foregoing instrument and acknowledged the same to be their free act and deed, before me,

ARTHUR BOARDMAN,  
 Notary Public.

Approved, July 27, 1905.

THEODORE BODENWEIN, Secretary,  
 per A. R. PARSONS.

STATE OF CONNECTICUT, }  
 OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY. } ss.

I hereby certify that the foregoing is a true copy of record in this office, and of the endorsement of approval thereon.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand, and affixed the Seal of said State, at Hartford, this 27th day of July, A. D., 1905.

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### THE SETTLEMENT

Hardly had the Puritans been settled in and around Boston than there was a disposition to swarm, after the manner of bees. The Connecticut River had been discovered both by the Dutch and the English. The former established themselves at Saybrook on the west bank of the river at its mouth, and at Hartford on the west bank at a place still called "Dutch Point." In 1633 William Holmes, with a party of colonists, sailed up the river, bringing with them the frame and other materials which they had prepared for erecting a house. When they reached Dutch Point he found that the Dutch had built a light fort and planted two pieces of artillery. Notwithstanding their threats to fire upon him, he passed this fort, proceeded up the river six miles, landed on the west side near the mouth of what is the Farmington River, and erected and fortified his house there. This, it is said, was the first house erected in Connecticut.

During the summer of 1635 others came and planted settlements at Windsor, Hartford and Wethersfield. In 1636 the population was increased by the arrival at Hartford of the Rev. Thomas Hooker and his congregation from Cambridge, 100 in all. A congregation came from Dorchester to Windsor and another from Watertown to Wethersfield. Courts were early established, the first being held at Hartford, April 26, 1636; the second at Windsor, June 7, and the third, September 1. These courts consisted of two principal men from each town, and were invested with all the legislative and judicial powers and functions of the colony. The population of the three towns on the river and the garrison at Saybrook had reached about 800 persons.

In 1635 John Winthrop, "Governor of the River Connecticut," had reached Saybrook and built a fort. The Pequot Indians in 1636 laid siege to the fort and killed some of the inhabitants. Thereupon a court was held at Hartford and steps were taken for self-defense which meant the extermination of the Pequot tribe. An expedition of ninety men from the three towns, joined by friendly Mohegans under Uncas, descended the river to Saybrook in 1637, attacked the Pequots at Groton and captured their fort. Those who escaped fled to the westward but were pursued to what is the southwest corner of the State and were captured.

In 1638 a settlement was made at New Haven. On the 14th of January, 1639, the free planters of Hartford, Windsor and Wethersfield convened at Hartford and adopted a written constitution, the preamble of which stated it was to preserve "the liberty and purity of the Gospell and the regulation of civil affairs." On the 4th of June, 1639, the free planters of Quinnipiack, or New Haven, met and formed a civil and religious organization. The former was a democracy under the guiding mind of the Rev. Thomas Hooker; the latter was a theocracy under the Rev. John Davenport. In 1639 Milford and Guilford were founded in the colony of New Haven, the one on the east and the other on the west of, and both adjacent to, New Haven. In the same year Fairfield and Stratford were founded under the jurisdiction of Connecticut. In 1639 the commonwealth of Saybrook was founded by Colonel George Fenwick. In 1644 the colony of Connecticut purchased from Colonel Fenwick for £1600 the jurisdictional right in the colony of Saybrook. In 1643 the colonies of Massachusetts, Plymouth, Connecticut and New Haven formed a confederacy for mutual safety under the name of the "United Colonies of New England." Between 1640 and 1650 other settlements were made on Long Island Sound.

As a consequence of travel by land and by water between Hartford, Windsor and Wethersfield on the north and the settlements on the Sound to the southward a knowledge was obtained of the conditions of the land along the west bank of the Connecticut River. Mattabesett stood on high ground, at the parting of the ways, fourteen miles south of the center of Hartford. To the southeast the Connecticut River made a sharp bend, reaching thirty miles to Saybrook, and along its bank was the primitive road to Saybrook. To the southwest, and through a valley, stretched the primitive roadway to New Haven. In 1639 the General Court of Connecticut made record as follows:

"The menifold insolencies that have bene offered of late by the Indians, putt the Court in mind of that w<sup>ch</sup> hath bene too long neglected, viz.: the execution of justice upon the former murtherers of the English and it was uppon serious consideracon and debate thought necessary and accordingly determined, that some speedy course be taken herein, and for effecting hereof it was concluded that 100 men be levyed and sent down to Mattabesecke, where severall guilty persons reside and have bene harbored by Soheage, notwithstanding all means by way of persuasion have bene formerly used to him for surrendering them upp into our hands; and it is thought fit that these coun-

sells be imparted to or friends at Quinnipi [ocke] that prvition may be made for the safety of the new plantacons, and upon their joynt consent to precede or desist."

Sowheag had resided at Wethersfield, and after selling that tract to the settlers there had removed to "Mattabesecke." Pequots had gone up to Wethersfield, killed six men and three women, had carried away two girls, and had taken refuge with Sowheag at Mattabesett. This tended to increase the trouble, but the New Haven colony did not accept the invitation. In consequence of these disturbances no effort had been made to effect a settlement at Mattabeseck.

October 30, 1646, "Mr. Phelps is appoynted w<sup>th</sup> the Com<sup>m</sup>ittee for the planting Matabezeke," a name written in various ways.

"Mar. 20, 1649-50 And Sammuell Smith senior, of Wethersfield, to the Comittee about the lands at Mattabeseck, in the roome of Jeames Boosy." This committee reported that these lands might support fifteen families. From the lower part of Wethersfield, first known as Stepney and now as Rocky Hill, to Middletown proper there was but one place where the land on the bank of the river was suitable for a settlement. This one favorable location had high land from north to south of about one hundred rods, ending in a swamp at the north end, while on the south the land was too low for habitation for a distance of a stretch of two miles to the Sebeth, or Little River. Westward there was a swamp, making a ridge of one hundred rods in length and eighty rods in width. South of the Sebeth the land is elevated and was most favorably situated for a settlement. Half a mile back from the river rose "Indian Hill" where Sowheag had his wigwams.

In 1650 settlements were begun "north of the riverett," sometimes written "riverlet," and also "south of the riverett." The former in the records is termed "the north side." In 1707 Samuel<sup>3</sup> Wilcox bought of George<sup>3</sup> Stocking the homestead of the deceased Samuel<sup>2</sup> Stocking, situated in "uper houses."

The general court of 1651 stated:

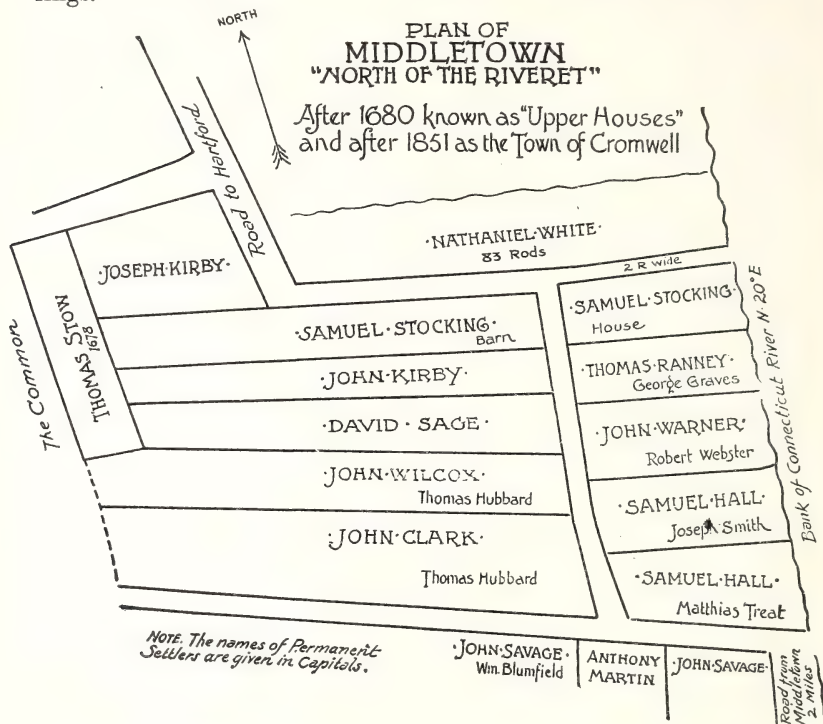
"It is ordered sentenced and decreed that Mattabeseck shall bee a Towne, and that they shall make choyce of one of their inhabitants according to order in that case, that so hee may take the oath of a Constable, the next convenient season.

"It is ordered that Mattabeseck and Norwaulk shall be rated this present year in their proporcon, according to the rule of rating in the Country, for their cattle, and other visible estate, and that Norwaakk shall present to Mr. Ludlow, and Mattabe-

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seek to Mr. Wells, in each Towne one inhabitant, to bee sworne by them Constables in there severall Townes."

In 1652 the General Court authorized Thomas Lord of Hartford to act in all the towns "both for setting of bones and otherwise, as at all times, occasions and necessities may or shal require." His fees were fixed. "To any house in Mattabeseck, eight shillings."



From September, 1652, to September, 1653, and in May and October, 1655, William Smith represented the town in the General Court; John Hall, Jr., in May, 1653; William Cornwell in May and October, 1654; Thomas Wetmore in September, 1654; Robert Webster from September, 1653, to May, 1655, in May, and October, 1656, in October, 1657, in October, 1658, and in May, 1695; George Grave from October, 1657, to October, 1658; Samuel Stocking, ten sessions from May, 1658, to October, 1681. Nathan-



iel White was almost continually a member from October, 1659, to October, 1710, his death at 82 occurring in August, 1711. William Smith was the first land recorder and the first page of volume one is a fair sample of his style of penmanship. His home lot was the property now occupied by the Catholic church in Middletown. Robert Webster was appointed recorder in 1654.

Nov. 23, 1653, "This Court approueves that the name of the Plantatyon commonly caled Mattabesick shall for time to come bee Middelltowne."

In 1652 a log church was erected, by the side of the home lot of Thomas Allyn, where now stands the huge boulder with its bronze tablet erected at the time of the celebration in 1900 of the 250th anniversary of the settlement of the town. But this "settlement" included the "north side" as well as the "south side," and these twins were not disjoined till 1851, when the "north of the riverett" became the town of Cromwell.

The settlement "north of the riverett" bordered on the river as far as high land extended. The street running north and south, now known as Pleasant Street, was 38 rods back from, and parallel to, the river and 78 rods in length. There being a swamp north of Nathaniel White's, a low meadow south of Savage's, Bloomfield's, and Martin's, and a swamp west of Pleasant Street, an engineer must have located Pleasant Street; for during the times of high floods this settlement became an island. Five three-acre lots were set off on the east side of Pleasant Street, and the same quantity to White, Savage, Martin and Bloomfield. Later a two-acre lot on the west side of Pleasant Street was granted to each of the five residing on the east side of that street and the same kindness was shown to the others by enlarging their "home lots." Such was the extent of the provision for the settlers.

Lands in various directions were recorded as "grants" to the settlers and almost from the first "Pistol Point, Little Meadow, Dead Swamp, Round Meadow, Goose's Delight, Timber Hill, Wolf Pit Hill, Bogy Meadow, Fur Neck, Hither Neck" were and still are familiar names.

*Robert Webster*

*George Grave*

By 1659 Webster and Grave had returned to Hartford, and Smith and Treat to Wethersfield, the two latter on March 10, 1657, having transferred their combined homesteads to John Wilcox, who soon transferred it to Samuel Hall and removed to Dorchester, Mass., but returned a few years later. In 1653 the General

Court had ordered John<sup>2</sup> Wilcox to occupy his grant or find a suitable substitute. John Kirby had purchased George Grave's 2-acre lot on the west side of the highway. In 1655 a pound, 50 x 66 feet, had been located south of this lot in which stray cattle were to be impounded. For several years no one came to occupy the west side 2-acre lots of Webster, Smith, and Treat, while Thomas Rany and John Warner had been granted the homesteads of Grave and Webster, respectively, on the east side of the highway. The next arrival was David Sage. On May 10, 1663, the town meeting voted to him a "house lott on the other side the riveret on the other side the Highway beyond the corner of Goodman White his fence on the west side of the Highway to Hartford, siding by Goodman Stockins lott soe much as may not prejudice the Highway or outlett of the cattel which the Inhabitants on that side shall determine and Bound According to their discretion." Instead of building on this grant David, who had looked with longing eyes on Mary Kirby, preferred to locate next to his prospective father-in-law. On May 9, 1665, there was recorded to him twelve square rods "whereon his house standeth," a very limited area for a "house lott" in that day. Just before that the town had "ordered that Robert Warner shall forthwith see what the town hath suffered by David Sage's pulling down the ——— and so to get the town rited for soon as may be in that case." The trouble seems to have been settled, for soon David is given five acres from his "father," John Kirby, adjoining his small "home lot" in exchange for that first granted to Mr. Sage "for a home lot." John Kirby in time established his son Joseph thereon. In 1695 Joseph sold it to Nathaniel White for his son Jacob and it remained in the White family till a few years ago. David Sage had pre-empted the town pound of "twelve square rods" and had to settle for so doing.

On Dec. 23, 1663, the town granted to Thomas Hubbard "five acres for a home lot and five acres additional where will be most convenient for him and not inconvenient for the town, he ingaging to build upon it and not to make sale of it till he hath inhabited upon it 4 years." The committee, White, Warner and Stocking, located it on the three 2-acre lots which had been granted to Webster, Smith and Treat. He built his house on the southeast corner. Wilcox, in 1657, had sold his Smith-Treat purchase to Samuel<sup>2</sup> Hall (John), and, it is said, had removed to Dorchester, Mass., but had returned, for on Nov. 1, 1665 Hubbard deeded to him three acres and one house "where J. Wilcox occupieth." While Hubbard did not observe the four-year limit, it may be that as he had built his own house near the southeast corner of

his lot, it was considered that he had not violated the spirit of the grant. His 1663-4 well-curb now adorns "Stocking Triangle."

On Nov. 6, 1666, the settlement seems to have reached its limit, for it extended Samuel Stocking's 2-acre west side lot to be 9 acres, John Kirby's to 8 acres, and Thomas Hubbard's to 24 acres, "first given to Joseph Smith, Robert Webster and Matthias Treat."

In March, 1666, there was granted to "Thomas Wetmore a house lot for himself or son on the north side the riverlet next to John Savage's swamp, abutting on the highway which comes straight up to John Savage's between him and Thomas Hubbard, abutting on John Warner's south and the highway west, to be 10 or 12 acres." Similar grants were given to Obadiah Allen and Samuel Egelstone. But all sold out these rights without building and it was scores of years before any houses were erected on these grants.

The next addition of an inhabitant was Thomas Stow, Jr., to whom on March 17, 1678-79 there was granted "a piece of land at the rear of David Sage's and Deacon Stocking's and Joseph Kirbie's on the north of that which was granted to John Wilcock's as the land will allow not prejudicing highways." The committee to lay it out was "Lieut. White, Deacon Stocking and Samuel Hall." But as Mr. Stow's father-in-law, Deacon Stocking, chose to build for his daughter, Mrs. Stow, on a tract on the road to Hartford next north of Nathaniel White's, Mr. Stow never "improved" this grant. He sold it to John Caton, who failed to improve it. The south part was sold by them to Samuel Gipson and the north part became the cemetery of 1713. In 1687 Edward Shepherd came for a bride in the person of Abigail<sup>2</sup> Savage and he received a grant on the west side of the road to Hartford and on the site of the present Congregational church. John Clark of Haddam found a bride in the person of Elizabeth White, daughter of Capt. Nathaniel White, and purchased the south half of the original Thomas Hubbard place. He was son of William Clarke of Haddam, who is recorded as having been servant to John Crow of Hartford. He occupied till 1731 the house built in 1663-4 by Thomas Hubbard, and gave the property to his son John, who became, 1737, the first settler in East Hampton on what is known as Clark's Hill, where he lived to an advanced age, giving each son a farm.

On April 29, 1669, it was "voted and agreed that on the north side the river these lands shall lye comon forever. This land buteth on Thomas Hubbards home lot which the town voted him for a home lot and David Sages and Samuel Stockings and John

Kirbys and Thomas Hubbards east and on Thomas Wetmores and Obadiah Allins and Samuel Egelstones land south and the Stony brook [now Chestnut Brook] west, John Savage's wood lot north."

There had been great trouble in deciding as to how much land each "inhabitant" was entitled and for some years the discussion had waxed warm. Finally on—

"March the on and twentieth 1670 or 71. The towne voted and agreed to present there request and seek the help of Cap-  
tayne John Talcot and Leiftenant John Alin in these pertiequellers, following

"first, conserning the true proprietours of the plantation whether the present accepted inhabitants are not for to be accounted who are or shal be esteemed inhabitants to whom the propriaty of undivided lands belong unto.

"secondly, conserning the rule of the devision of undevided lands. whither by poll or persons and estats, or by the contry [country tax] list only, or some other way," and much more to the same effect. "The Comity is Ensign White William Cheney William Ward, John Wilcocke."

Captain Tallcott and Lieut. Allyn made an extended report to which the inhabitants had in advance promised obedience, and they reported "The nams of the proprioters of Middletown with their estats, taken March 22<sup>th</sup> 1670." Those residing "north of the riverett" were:

Anthony Martine	£ 60-10
David Sage	068-10
Ensign White	159-10
Samuell Stockin	113-10
Thomas Rany	105-00
John Warner	096-10
John Wilcocke	140-00
Samuell Halle	130-00
John Savedg	129-00
Thomas Hubard	061-00
John Cerbys	088-10

The families of the children soon called for homesteads, so on "Jan. 28, 169 $\frac{1}{2}$  the inhabitants on north side shall have liberty to lay out eight house lots not exceeding four acres apiece in the comon, on that side, as they among themselves shall see best."

On the 12th of the same month the town "confirmed their grant to [Rev.] Mr. Russell to a piece of swamp land of ten

acres against hornet bay at the east end of that swamp and south of the river, and that the remainder of that swamp land to lye for a parnage for the town til our neighbors on the north side doe stand in need of it on that side for the use of their ministry." This fine meadow lot of 27 acres is to-day the property of the Cromwell Congregational Society, and in the days of the early pastors it was a source of much annoyance, as may be seen later. It adjoins "Goose's Delight." In 1673 and as late as 1750 very extensive distributions were recorded. The "northwest quarter," now a part of Berlin, was to be divided among the "north side" proprietors and their descendants, who also received extensive allotments on the east side the great river. In 1721 there was a great distribution of the Wanguuk meadows on the east side of the great river and lot number 200 was set off to "old Cap White," who had died in 1711. By his will of August, 1711, one-fourth of his undivided lands was to be for the "schools already established," and in 1745 this one-quarter of lot 200 was sold to his grandson Hugh and the proceeds constitute to-day a part of the "local school funds" of Middletown, Cromwell and Portland. To show the slow progress of this distribution of outlying lands it is here stated that while Thomas<sup>3</sup> Ranney had located a mile north of the center of Cromwell on what is now known as the S. V. Hubbard place and had raised a large family thereon, it was not till 1742 that to Thomas<sup>4</sup> Ranney there was allotted the land since known as Prospect Hill and which is nearer to the center than the place on which Thomas<sup>4</sup> was born.

#### THE FERRY QUESTION

Traveling between Hartford and the settlements on Long Island Sound made the ferry over Sebethe River at Middletown a matter of great importance. The Sebethe (Little) River, the "riverett" of the early records, empties into the "Great River" nearly two miles south of the Upper Houses settlement and is of the width of an ordinary road. The crossing of it in those early days required a ferry boat, and as early as 1658 it was voted "to make a new ferry canoe 30 feet long 5 broad. inside to be made of the nut trees and for which the town agrees to give John Hall 4 pds in coyne"; and a committee was authorized "to agree about keeping the ferry with Thomas Allyn or any other man." Thomas was the nearest settler to the ferry on the south side. When Thomas Hubbard came to the Upper Houses a few years later, though he lived nearly two miles from the ferry and the low meadow intervening rendered it inconvenient to erect any house thereon, he seems to have coveted

the job. As every person from Hartford or the Upper Houses had to pass his residence in going southward to Middletown it was easy to give him notice of needing his services; but if he expected to remain all day at the ferry to accommodate those from the south bound northward he must have expected a lonely time. The record reads: "Dec. ye-26-1667, Ensign White & Samuell Stocking to present ye agreement with Thomas Hubbard concerning ye keeping of ye ferry according to ye terms he gave in to ye town meeting in writing."

*Thomas Hubbard*

As the sons of the founders had crossed the "great river" in 1709 and made a settlement, starting a "Society," which meant the opening of a school and the erection of a church, it was important that there should be convenient ferry privileges, but the first record is May, 1759. "On memorial of Daniel Brewer and sundry other inhabitants of Middletown showing that there is a need of a ferry across the Connecticut river from the building yard in the north society called Upper Houses as appears by memorial on file," etc., liberty is granted to Mr. Brewer and rates are established. This ferry was established from a point some distance above the building yard (ship yard) to what is now known as "Indian Avenue" on the east side of the river, this "avenue" being a road laid out where the first settlement was made on the east side, and on it to-day are some very ancient houses.

On Feb. 5, 1682-3, it was voted to build a "cart bridge over the fery river," and in 1693 a contract was made with Francis Whitmore "to erect and build a substantial stone bridge over the fery river for carting over and ganging under itt." A dispute arose as to the meaning of this vote and "Jan. 3 1699 or 1700" the town interpreted the meaning to be that he must depend on voluntary contributions and that it should be a free bridge. He did build, but litigation arose over it with his widow and on June 5, 1721, the town appointed a committee "to protect the town's interest as to the towns bridge over the ferry river or Riverett with the Whitmores or any other person or persons . . . and to proceed from court to court" and much more like it.

In 1710 John Clark's boat at the ferry was allowed "2<sup>s</sup> a week in country pay"; voted, Jan. 15, 1711-12 "to build a new boat to be carried on by the present townsmen." "Jan. 13-1712-13 voted a pence and half pence on the £ for town charges and to purchase the fery hous and to procure a fery rope."

On Dec. 17, 1798, a committee was appointed to "view and

examine the bridge built over Little River by Mr. Elisha Stow and agree with him." This was an open bridge which stood till about 1840, when a covered bridge was erected and which stood till 1783, when the present iron bridge took its place.

#### THE EARLY HIGHWAYS

On January 6, 1656, it was voted to lay out a highway "through the West field," and White, Webster, Grave and Stocking were the committee to do it within fourteen days. This was an extension, westward from the river, of the highway between what were the Savage-Martin-Bloomfield lots on the south side and what became the Hubbard lot on the north side. It was to enable the settlers to reach their outlying lands at Hither Neck, Fur Neck, Round Meadow, Boggy Meadow, Goose's Delight and Timber Hill. It was on the south side of this extended roadway that the allotments heretofore named were made to Allyn, Eggestone and Wetmore, who never built on them, preferring to remain on the south side. On April 29, 1669, this road was a subject of contention between John Savage, who had bought the Bloomfield place, and Thomas Hubbard who lived opposite, for on this day the town appointed a committee "to settle the highway on the rivulett between John Savage's land and Thomas Hubbards and to measure the street at those houses to see if there be no incroachments and make report."

The traveled track to Hartford could not have been much better than a blazed pathway till Wethersfield was reached. On March 8, 1670, voted "the land lying on the north side the river between the lots going to Hartford near the plains [upper Cromwell and still known as "The Plains"] being laid for a highway shall lye comon forever." Jan. 15, 1700 a committee, Hamlin, White and Clark, are appointed to lay out a highway of 20 rods wide for a country road across the plains to Wethersfield bounds as they shall find most convenient.

On June 19, 1719, a committee was appointed to lay out and state (stake?) the highway or country road across the plains to Wethersfield bounds. The layout of the highway could hardly have been satisfactory, as the granting of extensive tracts were being made on unoccupied territory. In 1695 a tract of five hundred acres in this section was granted to Nathaniel White, and a stone marked "N. W. 1698" still stands at its northwest corner, while on the opposite side "J B" means that Joseph Butler was given the land adjoining on the north.

April 23, 1725, a committee including Capt. William Savage

and Serg. John Sage was appointed "to see that all highways were laid out as the record requires." On Oct. 1, 1725 this committee reported they had laid out "a necessary highway on the north side the fery river in Middletown where the present fery place is now used, and hath been for many years, the S. W. corner being a large elm marked to which tree the fery rope hath been usually fastened too, in flood times and from sd tree northward two rods wide where was pitched a stake and so to continue two rods wide so far eastward towards the great river eight rods and then one rod by the highway by the great river, 30<sup>s</sup> to be pd the owners of land taken." This was the original traveled path along the river bank to the John Savage corner.

In 1725 there was laid out a road ten rods wide from the "n. w. quarter," now East Berlin, to connect at the plains with the road leading to Hartford. All that is now left of that 20 rod highway to Hartford is the lane from north to south, just east of the August David homestead. In 1770 and again in 1794 the town bought strips four rods wide to extend the roadway of 1725 to connect with the new road to Hartford. In 1802 a turnpike was laid out by the Great and General Court from Hartford to Saybrook, to be four rods wide except as otherwise named. It went generally over the established highways, but from the north end of the North Society, at a point near the house of Gershom Butler, it left the old road and went through the fields for a distance of a mile, when it met and followed the old road till it reached

"on the old road or street to a point 40 links in front of the front door of the meeting house in Middletown Upper Houses; thence S. 11° 10' W. 73 chains (292 rods) 33 links crossing the fields in the meadows to a point in the old road at 59 links from the river bank being 36 links of the center of the path of travel."

On Dec. 4, 1727 there was laid out "a country road from new-field fery river on to the plains into the old road that leads to Hartford eight rods wide." Capt. Jared Shepherd was the first to build on this road near "fery" river. This property is now owned by Mr. Seth Paddock. The Shepherd house and oak tree are given herewith. This road became the dividing line between the west and the northwest school districts of the present town. What had been known as the "n. w. quarter" had been taken, 1772, from the Middletown North Society to become a part of the Worthington Society, now in the town of Berlin, but the land had been alloted to North Society people who had settled thereon.



April 26, 1737, a committee including Isaac White, John Kirby and Daniel Sage, was appointed to remove encroachments on highways, and many times to 1800 similar committees were ordered.

In 1795 on the petition of forty-two persons a road two and a half rods wide was laid out along the river bank from the corner of the John Savage home lot to the corner of Nathaniel White's home lot. The record gives the frontage of each piece of property and the amount paid each owner for land taken. The river bank thereafter was used for wharves and shipbuilding. In 1803 a narrow street was thrown out from Pleasant Street to River Street through the original Joseph Smith home lot, and in 1807 a schoolhouse known as the "Bell" schoolhouse, two stories high, was erected and used till the Nathaniel White schoolhouse was opened on Jan. 6, 1902. The reproduction of the U. S. Coast Survey map shows these later village streets.

### THE FIRST MILLS

Beyond the original settlement and to the northwest is a small stream which flows in a southwesterly direction to Little River and was early known as Chestnut Brook. Near its mouth it passes over a brownstone ledge and then through a deep ravine, making a natural dam site and a favorable location for a mill. To Thomas Miller, son of the Thomas Miller to whom in lower Middletown a mill site was granted in 1655, there was granted "Jan. 25, 1714—15 the right to set a grist mill on Chestnut Brook by the falls on the north side the ferry and also 3 A of land above the falls for the mill plot with the privilege of digging and damming so far as the brook runs in the towns commons, not to pond the highway—and must do this in 3 yrs. or pay 20<sup>s</sup> a year to the town till he does." On Jan. 17, 1715-16, this land was recorded and bounded "N. stream; S. Highway; W. Common fence; E. town commons." This mill privilege at the base and on the west side of Timber Hill has been used as a mill privilege to very recent years. The ancient wheel and the old mill are to be seen in the illustration. On Jan. 13, 1718 Thomas Miller, Jr., paid a fine of 20<sup>s</sup> for not building on time. On Dec. 21, 1721 the town voted half an acre northerly of his grist mill and on Dec. 26, 1721 Capt. John Savage and Capt. William Savage were appointed a committee to lay out a small parcel of land "n. w. side the Brook for Thomas Miller, Jr. to build on."

Northward of the settlement and easterly of the highway to Hartford is a valley with numerous springs. in early days known as Cold Spring, which was the property of Thomas Ranney whose

distribution of it to his heirs is recorded in his will of 1711. Eastward of this highway was a high ridge, "Sideling Hill," extending a mile to the river, covered now, as then, with forest trees. South of and under this ridge and along to the river is a road called the "Nuiks" road, and John Sage resided on this road near the Cold Spring reservoir outlet. On Dec. 25th, 1732 the town gave authority to John<sup>s</sup> Sage "to erect a grist mill on the stream that runs across the highway near to sd Sages dwelling house & the liberty to erect a dam so as to flow the highway provided he make and forever maintain a good sufficient bridge or causeway across sd water for hors cart foot and team at all times, provided sd Sage grind the corn of the town inhabitants before any stranger."

On Dec. 20, 1742 the town released John Sage from the obligation to maintain the bridge near the mill he had erected, and granted him a privilege to erect a warehouse "near the landing place by Mr. Samuel Frary's [John Savage on map], not exceeding 30 ft. sq. and a place for a wharf to answer the same." The committee to locate this was Capt. Thomas Johnson and Hugh White, and Mr. Sage was to have "the produce [toll rates], of sd warehouse and wharf place as a recompense for building sd bridge." In 1780 Giles Sage was permitted to add a sawmill in the public highway near his dwelling house in connection with the grist mill.

The commercial spirit of trade with the West Indies and the southern ports had reached Middletown proper and the Upper Houses, for, on Dec. 24, 1744, Joseph Stocking and John Stocking (the latter died at "Statia" in 1750) petitioned for "4 Roods of land Southard of Samuel Frary's warehouse, for a warehouse plot and to build a wharf in the river there." A committee was appointed to "view the sd place and lay it out provided they pay what it is worth."

On Dec. 31, 1781 Capt. John Smith was given a quitclaim right to erect a store "at the foot of his wharf near Capt. Stocking's store." He died in 1784 and his widow Mary sold his interest in the wharf. A map of 1796 shows the two wharves then existing.

In 1776 Middletown had a larger population than New Haven of Hartford and the shipbuilding, West India and coast trade made many rich. The Upper Houses people were thoroughly followers of the sea, having several shipyards, wharves and storage or freight houses. The trade consisted in carrying out mules, horses and hay, and bringing back rum, sugar, molasses and fine woods. "Pipe Stave" swamp indicated the thrifty business of making and car-

rying out staves in bundles to be put into shape and brought back filled with rum, molasses or sugar. Nearly everyone was or became a Captain, and the records sadly tell the story of those who "never came back." The remains of the wharves are still visible, and the last storehouse, the old "Brick Store," has just fallen. Its representation here reminds us of those who "go down to the sea in ships."

#### CHURCHES AND SCHOOLS

Near where the Middletown memorial of granite and bronze stands was a large elm, beneath which, it is said, the first religious services were held. On "February the 10th, 1652. It was agreed at a meeting at John Halls hous to build a meeting hous and to make it twenty fot square and ten fot between sill and plat, the heygt of it." It was erected of logs in the middle of the street and in front of "Riverside" cemetery, and was surrounded by a palisade to protect against the Indians in case of need. This is the first high ground after crossing Little River from the Upper Houses, and the location was as convenient as possible to those who must travel from the Upper Houses two miles and then cross a river to reach the church and the cemetery. The Rev. Samuel Stow, a graduate of "Cambridge College," was the preacher for some years, but dissatisfaction arose, and by the Great and General Court it was decided, Oct. 4, 1660, that he should cease to officiate as soon as there could be found an "able, orthodox and pious minister to be approved by Mr. Warham, Mr. Stone, Mr. Whiting taking in ye help of ye Wor'll Gournr and Mr. Willis w'ch being done Mr. Stow is to lay down his preaching there, the said Towne giueing Mr. Stow Testimonial Lrs such as the Gent forenamed judge fit. In ye meantime the Towne to allow Mr. Stow his vsual stipend he continuing the exercise of his ministry as formerly." In those days "Mr." was the title of the pastor without the prefix "Rev." Attention was already directed towards the Rev. Nathaniel Collins, son of Deacon Collins of Cambridge, and graduate of Harvard College, and the Great and General Court, May 25, 1661, "doe advise both Mr. Stowe & all the inhabitants of Midletown to a loving X carriage to Mr. Collins & friendly compliance with each other," etc. On the 4th of Nov., 1662, "the town did agre that the hous for mr Collins should be 36 foot long 18 foot wid, ten foot hy between joints and stone chimneys in the middle, with silleradg by leantowing or otherwise as may be most convenient." The work of building a meeting house proceeded, and though there were but 31 heads of families in the

settlement they voted, Feb. 14, 1665, to have "a galery for the meeting house from the east end to the middle beam." A form of letter was drawn up and approved Dec. 11, 1665 and forwarded.

"Mr. Nathanill Collins, Sir. you may be pleased to Remember wee wrote to you, a few linnen bearing date the 11th of December, '63, wharein we gave you an invitation unanimously under our hands to the worke of the ministry amongst us, in order to farther and more sollem engagements, when god in his providenc shall make way theirt, the Acceptance whereof you have hitherto manifested by your long continuatyon among us, in that worke, our present state you now know, namly that God by his providenc hath brought us hopefully nerere gathering into an eklyasticall body, then formerly though some of our neighbours and brethren are wee would hope conscienciously differing from us, respecting the maner of it, namely as you know some judging we are a church allredy, others that wee are not, however wee that thinke wee are allredy a church and wee also that thinke we are not but in some short time may be one both sensible of the essentiall need of an officer to despence the sealles as well as the word amongst us. to such as shall be regularly fitt. doe therefore by these presenc give you to know that our eyes are upon and our desires towards yourself for that worke as soon as we shall be in such a capasety and request your answer to this our motion as god shall direct and incline so desiering god to guide you in this great motion we rest waiting your answer your loving frinds and neighbours, the inhabitants of

MIDDLETOWN."

On Feb. 19, 1667, it was voted to organize a church and call Mr. Collins, and Ensign White and Samuel Stocking were chosen on the committee.

Here are some extracts from the church records:

—The Rev. Mr. Collins was ordained the "4<sup>th</sup>—9<sup>th</sup>—1668"

"15<sup>th</sup>—9<sup>th</sup>—1668" William Savage was baptized.

"30<sup>th</sup>—1<sup>st</sup>—1668 Ensign White, Goodman Kirby, Saml Hall, the wife of our Brother Stocking, the wife of Goodman Kirby, the wife of Goodman Rany," were admitted as members in full communion. They made public profession of faith "and also what had been the matter of public offense in any of them publicly owned."

"10<sup>th</sup>—11<sup>th</sup>—68 children of Brother Kirby, namely John, Joseph, Easter, Sarah, the child of our sister Rany, Elizabeth, received ye iniatory seale."

"19<sup>th</sup>—11<sup>th</sup> 68 Dethia, Susanna, Abigail, children of our Brother and Sister Kirby rec'd in ye initiatory seale.

"March 18—1669 [evidently a new clerk] ye wife of our Brother Ensign White, the wife of our Brother Savage rec'd into full communion."

"May 2—1669 Joseph, son of our Brother and Sister Stocking in<sup>v</sup> seale."

"May 23—1669 Goodman John Warner & his yoake fellow Anna Warner & the wife of David Sage in full communion."

"May 30, 1669 child<sup>n</sup> of Brother John Warner; viz: Hannah, John, Jonathan, Mary, Elizabeth, our Sister Sage herself likewise and her 3 children, namely, David, John, Elizabeth in<sup>v</sup> seale."

On March 16, 1670, Thomas Allen, Samuel Stocking and John Hall, Jr., were elected deacons "desiring Ensign White to join

*John: warnere.* and imposition of hands on the next Lord's Day to consummate"; which was done

on Sunday, March 20, 1670; the signal honor bestowed on "Ensign" White of the Upper Houses showing his pre-eminence in the church which was the community, and vice versa. A separate record shows that Samuel Stocking and John Savage were among the nine original members of Nov. 1688. David Sage was received June, 1670, and Thomas Stow, Jr., on April 29, 1676. Deacon Samuel Stocking in his will "give unto our Pastor Mr. Nathaniell Collins (as an expression of my affectionate Respect to him) three pounds to be payd within a year after my decease." Captain Nathaniel White gave £4 money to Rev. Noadiah Russell in his will.

The Rev. Nathaniel Collins died in 1684, after a very happy experience of many years. His library was valued at £72-12-09. The inventory of his household goods included

*Nathan Collins.*

"One tancord & dramcup & spoons 9 ounces &  $\frac{1}{2}$  valued at £2-16-00.

The parler firnituer: As follows

One fetherbed boulster & pillows

6: wrought cussions, one carpet

& one yallo cussions

one grate table and one small table

all the earthon ware in the glas case

one payor of bras coboyarns & a

fiershoffol & tongs

one tin scollupt candlestick & 3 wicker baskets."

On Feb. 24, 1686-7 "Lieut." Nath. White was on the committee to finish the "parsonage house."

On Oct. 24, 1688, the Rev. Noadiah Russell was ordained. He was a native of New Haven, and a graduate of Harvard College. During his pastorate of twenty-five years, 180 persons were admitted to the church, a fair proportion of whom were from the Upper Houses. He outlived the last survivor of the early settlers, Thomas Ranney, but died later in the same year. The relation of the "Upper Houses" families to the church ceased with the establishment of the church in the North Society.

While the matter of schooling the children is not mentioned in the town records till "14 of ye 4, 1675" it does not follow that nothing had been done on the subject, for by that time children born in Middletown had been reared, married, and were parents of young children. The privilege of voting had been accorded in 1666 to "all which are above 20 years old which are children of inhabitants and cary orderly in there conversation have liberty of voating for al town officers and town affairs."

"14 of ye 4, 1675. At ye same meeting ye town granted ten pounds for ye year ensuing towards ye incourigm't of a schoolemaster to teach o'r children to read & write and made choice of goodman Wilcock, William Harriss and Seargt Ward to enquire after and agree with a meet person for that work, and to levy ye remainder of his higher upon ye children schooled to ye summ of ten pounds more."

The number of householders at this time was between 50 and 60, and probably the schoolmaster's salary, small as it was, was not easily raised, for on November 29th, 1676, is found the following vote:

"November 29, 1676. The town voated to entertayn Mr. Thomas Webe as a scollmaster to teach childeren to wright and read at least for tryall for the winter season. abought halfe a yeare, finding him meat & drinke or sum other small incoredgement; at the same time was voated that the watchhou shall be forthwith fitted up for a schollhou.

It seems that Mr. Webb's "tryall" was satisfactory, because in the following March the town passed this vote:

"At a town meeting ye 12th of March 1676-7 the town granted Mr. Thomas Web as schoolemaster to ye town twenty-

five pounds for his sallery for one year beginning ye twentyeighth day of December past; this sum above said to be leyed as foloweth, ten pound to be paid by the town according to former grant for ye incouragement of a schoolemaster, fifteen pound to be leyed on the children that have gone, shall goe, or ought to goe to school in equall proportion."

In 1679 a rate of £1 for a schoolmaster "within or without the town" was voted.

"September 7, 1680. The towne voated to a shool hous of twenty six foot long & seaventeen or eightene foot wide & six foot & a halfe betweene joints in hight & secondly that the townsmen shall use the best means they can to get it done if it may be before winter. & thirdly that this hous shall be sett up in some place neare the watch hous.

In 1681 John Richards of Hartford was schoolmaster, and a schoolhouse had been erected. Feb. 5, 1682-83 "The inhabitants on the south side Middletown fery granted to their neighbors on the north side the rivulet their proportions of the school rate granted by the town toward the maintaining of the scool on the north side for this year," though there were but few families with young children to call for a school. In 1690 Ensign Samuel Collins the schoolmaster, brother of Rev. Nathaniel Collins, agreed to let those on the north side the liberty to school their children on their own charge, not paying to the school on the south side "if they keep a scholl on that side not els," a not very generous offer. On May 5, 1690, the town "granted the north part of the town by reason of distance that if they provide a sufficient master there then they to have their part of the rate which shall be raised for that purpose and if they do not provide in that caus, then to pay their whole proportion to the scoall of the town that is for the six months."

Jan. 6, 1695, on motion of the Rev. Mr. Russell it was voted "that if at any time there should be made any lands by way of Island upon or in the great river within the bounds of this township that all such lands shall be improved for the benefit & encouragement of the public schools of this town." An island of small dimensions then may have been existing in the Connecticut River between the two settlements, as such an island in 1801 was taken by three persons and improved for a fishing bank and a claim for ownership filed by them. It has been greatly enlarged since 1801, and now consists of 33 acres and belongs to the Brain-

erd, Shailer & Hall Quarry Co. As early as 1658 Deer Island, later known as Indian Island and now as Gildersleeve Island, was granted to Robert Webster.

Jan. 14, 1696-7 it was voted that "a yearly scoal be kept and maintained in this town, the neighbors on the north side the fery shall have the benefit of their part of half the year's scoal rate for the future provided it be improved for the benefit of scoaling their children." Jan. 15, 1700, the town agreed "to pay £5 in pay towards a yearly scoalls maintenance which is to be paid out of the next town rate."

It may well be thought that an energetic but so far fruitless effort had been made to secure the proper share of the rate or general taxes for the maintenance of a school on the north side. Yet this did not divert the people from planning to have a Society with a church and a pastor of their own. And it may be imagined that it was thought that this independence, being organized into a Society with authority to manage their own church and school matters, would be mutually helpful. Accordingly on Jan. 18, 1702-3 "at the same meeting it was proposed by the Inhabitants on the north side the riverlet for a liberty to provide a minister and a meeting hous separate from this side. and maintain it upon their own charge, which proposition was granted on these conditions. that they doe in half a year or one whole year at farthest. procure and settle. an aurtherdox and aproved minister orderly amongst. them. that being accomplished. then to be free from the charge. of the ministry on this side the riuerlet. they paying equally with us here untill. that be accomplished. but if this be not accomplished within sd time all. the above is to be null and void." At the May session of the Great and General Court of the Colony this action was confirmed as follows:

"Be it therefore enacted by this Court and the authoritie thereof, and it is enacted:

"That all those persons that now are and hereafter at any time shall be dwellers and inhabitants on the north side of the said riverett in the said towne of Middletown, are and hereafter shall be one intire societie and parish by and of themselves, and shall have and enjoy all such powers, liberties and priviledges, as other societies and congregations in this Colonie generally have, or by lawe may have, enjoy and use, for the choosing collectors and levyng of rates and money for the charge, settlement and maintenance of their minister, and upholding the publick worship of God among them, from time to time as need shall require."

Thus encouraged, arrangements were made, March 9, 1704-5,



with the Rev. David Deming of Wethersfield, Conn., who came and occupied the property which was the original Robert Webster home lot and which became, 1664, the property of his successor, John Warner. Mr. Warner died in 1700, and on Feb. 4, 1704-5 the heirs sold it to the town of Middletown. The account book of Capt. John Warner shows that he paid for himself and for others in 1707-1708-1709 a "rate for Mr. Deming." In 1708 Samuel Hall, preparing to cross the river, sold the east half of his homestead to Samuel Frary. The bound on the north reads "supposed to be Mr. Deming's." In 1709 Mr. Hall sold "David Deming, Jr.," a strip "by estimate 25 rods or something better" bounded on the north by the "sd Deming's lott." This strip was but one rod and six links wide and gave Mr. Deming a greater frontage of lot on the south side of his house.

*David Deming*

Jan. 30, 1709-10 Mr. Hall sold the west half of his homestead and it was bounded on the north by "Mr. Deming." The Rev. David Deming who was born in Wethersfield, Conn., July 20, 1681, being the son of David Deming who was the son of John Deming and a daughter of Richard Treat. Another daughter had married Robert Webster. He was graduated at Harvard college in 1700. He occupied the John Warner homestead and remained here from the time the Society was incorporated, probably holding services in the schoolhouse. His purchase of a narrow strip to increase the frontage of his lot indicated that he expected to remain till a church was organized when he would be installed as pastor. But he remained only till 1710 when the Rev. Joseph Smith came. Mr. Deming while here married Miss Marcy Bridgeman of Boston on Nov. 18, 1708. Their child, David, was born here on Aug. 24, 1709.

The town of Medway, Mass., was incorporated October 25, 1713, and on September 22, 1714, there was appointed "A comitty to provide a minister for the Town until the aniwall metting in March next following and it is voted that ye town are to meet at the house of peter Adamses to attend the public worship of God on the sabbathdays and he haws given his consent to the same." The first public service was held in this house October 7, 1714, by the Rev. David Deming, who continued to hold services there for several months and till the church was completed. He receipted for 26 pounds sterling for "preaching to the town" from October 7, 1714, to April 9, 1715. On September 12, 1715, they called him as pastor on a salary of 60 pounds and he accepted the same day. The church was used for the annual meeting on March

7, 1715. They gave him 30 acres of land. In 1722, after repeated requests they yielded and gave him a dismission. A son, Jonathan, was born to him in 1719. Nothing more is known of the Rev. David Deming except that he died, 1746, in Lyme, Conn.

The Rev. Joseph Smith was preaching to the "Hors Neck" inchoate church (Greenwich, Conn.) while the Rev. Mr. Deming was similarly engaged here. The time of his arrival is not decided by the record found in Captain John Warner's account book, as he had kept another record book.

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and 4 bushels of indian corn			
for weaving 5 yds of chek		5	
for weaving 48 yds of cloth	01	4	
for weaving 44 4-2 yds of cloth	01	12	06
for weaving 13 4-2 yds ticking	01		
1715 for weaving 40 4-2 yds of crap	01	16	
1715 for weaving 38 yds of cloth		19	
1716 for weaving 43 yds of cloth	01	06	
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	£ 9		6

	lb	s	d
Mr Smith credit			
for 3 pound of sugar		2	
for 1 quart of rum		1	
for my rates in 1713	01	10	09
by part of Isaac Cornish rate		05	06
for 1 yd of Rollon		05	
for my rates 1714	01	06	
by Isaac Cornell		08	03
by my rates 1715	01	01	03
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	£4	19	9

The account was continued on another page to the death of Rev. Mr. Smith in 1736, including a charge for digging his grave.

Mr. Smith had had experience as a teacher, and one result of this was that Samuel Johnson, son of Deacon William Johnson of Guilford and Mary Sage, daughter of David Sage, came here, probably to be in the family of his uncle, Timothy Sage, while he studied across the street under the Rev. Mr. Smith. Samuel Johnson went from here to Yale College in Saybrook, where he graduated in 1714. After being a tutor he became the first pastor of

the Congregational church in West Haven. Having with others access to the books given to Yale by Dean Berkeley, afterwards Bishop of Cloyne, he with them became imbued with the conviction that Congregational ordination was invalid. Governor Saltonstall convened the General Assembly and for a whole day the effort continued to convince Rector Cutler, Tutor Brown, Mr. Wetmore, a native of Middletown and then pastor at North Haven, and several others that they were properly ordained clergymen. It was of no effect and four of the seven went to England and were Episcopally ordained. Mr. Johnson had used in his West Haven pulpit the prayers of the Episcopal service without his congregation suspecting it. Later they recalled their admiration of his style of praying. He was a missionary while settled in Stratford and led over thirty Congregational ministers to go to England for Episcopal ordination. He was the first president of King's College, now Columbia University. His son, William Samuel Johnson, was a distinguished son of Connecticut, its representative to England, in the Constitutional Convention, and was United States Senator. Dr. Samuel Johnson was known as "The father of Episcopacy in New England."

Dr. Johnson's intimacy with Dean Berkeley led to Yale College receiving a valuable library from him. A book presented by Dean Berkeley to Dr. Johnson, now in the library of the Berkeley Divinity School, Middletown, contains the following in Dr. Johnson's handwriting:

*I Johnsoni Liber ex Dono  
Rev. D. G. Berkeley Dorcestis &  
Decani. An. Dom. 1730  
posita vers Cloynejsi Episcopo*

It would seem as though the "South side," having the more numerous body of voters, was unwilling to part with the north side, for at the October session, 1709, of the General Assembly, it was voted:

"Upon the consideration of the petition of the inhabitants of

the north side the riverlet in Middletown, now presented to this Assembly, praying that so much of the school money arising by law as shall be levied on their part of the list of that town, may be ordered to be improved for a school amongst them on the north side the said river: This Assembly grants and allows the same, providing they shall maintain a school for reading and writing, for one half of the year, annually; and do order that on default thereof, the said money shall be paid toward the maintenance of the town school as formerly."

At a town meeting held Jan. 18, 1710-11 "the order of court respecting the school on the north side the rivulet was then published in the meeting." A number of the children of the founders of the north side had lately made a settlement on the east side of the Connecticut river and were already clamoring for their share of the school money. A very important town meeting was held Feb. 15, 1710-11, at which a committee which had been appointed previously "to managing the town schole in Middletown do unanimously agre to make the following proposells to the town for their concurrence and confermation."

These proposals were, 1st, to build a new schoolhouse "at the charge only of those that inhabbit on the south of the ferry, and the west of the great river: 2nd for the encouragement of learning and the supporting of the said town\* schole the sum of £25 was to be raised by local taxation until with the rate of 40 shillings upon the thousand pounds, with the incomes of other donations, the sum should amount to £40: 3d to give "to the north side what part of this is levyed on their estates to enter them in learning, provided they keep a half year schole amongst themselves: and upon their default it shall be paid to the town schole, on the south side the ferry." The same proposition was made for the benefit of those on the east side with this special favor, "and if any of their children being well entered in their spelling want to be perfected in reading wrighting an sifering and their parents or masters will allow them, they may come over and be further instructed at the town schole upon free cost." This committee was to be authorized to employ a teacher;

"also to demand, receive and improve all such gifts and donations as are or shall be made to the said schole for the best use and bennifit thereof.

"that no a. b. c. darians be allowed to come to be taught at the said town schole, unless it be when there is not a compitancy.

\* The first "High" School.

*[The page contains several lines of extremely faint, illegible handwritten text, likely bleed-through from the reverse side of the document. The text is too light to transcribe accurately.]*

WILL OF NATHANIEL WHITE

(See page 714)



THE NATHANIEL WHITE PUBLIC SCHOOL, DEDICATED JANUARY 6, 1902

(See page 27)

of others to keepe the scholemaster employed, and it be with the said master's concent."

There is no record of what action, if any, was taken on these recommendations which involved the institution of a "town schole" or high school.

Still the "north side" was not satisfied, according to the record of a town meeting held "March 13th, 1710-11. There being a controversy between the neighborhood of the North Society in Middletown and the South Society of the said town about the part of the fourty shillings upon the thousand pounds that the countrey doth allow for the upholding a town scool. the North Society having obtained a liberty in October 1709 for their part of it to be to themselves so long as they improve it for that use it is enacted and declared that the mater of controversy is left with the worshipfull M<sup>r</sup> John John hains and M<sup>r</sup> Nath<sup>l</sup> hooker both of hartford to say how much of the scoal money that did arise upon the fourty shillings on the thousand pounds for the subsistance of the town scoal paid by the treasurer in the year 1709 to the selectmen of Middletown did of right belong to our neighbors of the North society by vertue of the liberty granted them from the court as is above exprest and if it be found that the selectmen belonging to the South Society have unjustly detained from them their due of the said money then they in behalf of the said society to bear the charge arising thereupon but if it be found they have not withholden from the North Society their due then the selectmen of that society to pay the charge as above said or in behalf of the said societie noted and excepted by the town March 13, 1710-11 and at the same meeting Capt. John Hall and Thomas Stow, sen<sup>r</sup>, were chosen by voat and apointed to lay this matter before the gentlemen above specified."

The Rev. Samuel Stow and Mr. Jasper Clement had by their wills left lands to be sold for the benefit of the school of Middletown and Capt. Nathaniel White may have indicated his intention to do likewise, for in the August following, and in his will made two weeks before his death, he made this bequest; "and four pound money to the Reverend M<sup>r</sup> Noadiah Russell and what of my right of undivided lands may be dmed my wright; my will is that; one fourth part thereof be and remains for the use of the publike scholes Already Agreed upon In the town of Midletown for ever:"

In a great division of Wongunk meadow lands made in 1721 lot number 200 was set off to "old cap White" and in 1745 this one fourth was sold for the benefit of the school fund of the town; and as there was a division of the school fund when Cromwell in 1851

became a separate town, his money to-day is helping to maintain the NATHANIEL WHITE PUBLIC SCHOOL, named in his honor on Feb. 6, 1902 in accordance with the suggestion of the compiler of this history, made in the *Penny Press* of Middletown when it was decided to erect a town schoolhouse to take the place of the district schoolhouses.

On the last leaves of the North Society's record book an account was kept of the school moneys, as indicated below. And as Capt. Nathaniel White had died in August, 1711, and a school in the North Society was then "already established," it is concluded that the first entry refers to a school kept while Capt. Nathaniel White was alive. The treasurer was Capt. John Warner who "filled many public offices," says his tombstone. His account is here given.

FROM THE RECORD BOOK OF THE NORTH SOCIETY OF MIDDLETOWN

An account of ye charge of the school in the north Society in mideltown in the year under written 1712—o capt. White and ed shepard and: harris and for harrises bord,	£10-01-2
In the year 1715 paid to charls goodridg for 3 months keeping school, .....	3-15-0
In the year 1716 paid to Mrs. Smith for 3 months keeping school, .....	5-0-0
In the year 1717 paid to Mrs. Smith and william prout....	10-10-0
To Joseph white for bording charls goodridg and prout....	05-12-6
to John Warner juner for his trouble about the school....	00-06-1
for jonthan bordman for keeping school six months.....	09-10-0
to joseph white for bording jonthan bordman six months..	05-17-0
to john warner for his trouble about the school according to the society's voat,.....	02-02-4
to mr bordman for keeping school in 1720.....	08-0-0
* to ensign white for bording mr bordman,.....	5-0-0
to mrs Stow for keeping school,.....	03-00-0
An account of what contrey money was received to defray the charge of the school in the respective years mentioned on the other side in the year 1712 received,....	03-03-0
in the yeare 1715,.....	05-0-4
in the year 1716,.....	05-0-7
in the year 1717,.....	05-5-0
An account of town money ordered to defray the charg of the school in the respective years mentioned on the other side. in the year 1712 there was : ordered.....	04-0-0
in the year 1715,.....	03-17-0
in the year 1716,.....	03-10-0
in the year 1717,.....	05-08-0
Contry money 1718 was.....	05-16-10
town money 1718 was.....	03-14-1
for money received of Joseph raney,.....	02-00-1

\* Ensign Daniel White.



April 29 1758 From Rogon and Tottler  
All accounts from y<sup>e</sup> beginning  
to this day above mentioned

Joseph Smith  
Sam<sup>l</sup> Gaylord

TAKEN FROM THE ACCOUNT BOOK OF ENSIGN JOSEPH SMITH  
(See pages 560 and 671)



THE HOUSE OF JONATHAN BOARDMAN, SCHOOLMASTER  
(See page 29)

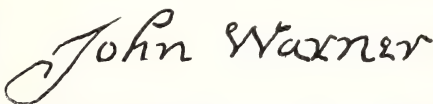
mon received of Jacob white 5s-9d and of Serg Sage	
4s-6d on the account of Thomas stow collector,..	00-10-3
mon Joseph White's rate,.....	00-05-5
contrey money received 1719 was.....	06-02-6
town money ordered 1719 was.....	03-17-8
contrey money received 1720.....	06-12-0
town money ordered 1720.....	3-19-6

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 68-14-00

The treasurer, Capt. John Warner, commissioned captain in 1725, was a nephew of the John Warner who

took the Robert Webster place and died there in 1700. "John Warner juner," the treasurer's first cousin, had been settled on what is now known as the "Edward Savage place" and which remained a Warner homestead till sold in 1771 to Jacob Gibson, who in 1806 removed to Gt. Barrington, Mass. Edward Shepard was son of Edward Shepard and Abigail Savage. Ed. Harris came from lower Middletown. Charles Goodrich\* was from Wethers-




field. Jonathan Bordman was born and died in the same house in Stepney part of Rocky Hill. (See Boardman Genealogy.) William Prout is spoken of in the genealogical part of this volume. Mrs. Smith was the wife of Rev. Joseph Smith. Mrs. Stow was the wife of Thomas Stow and daughter of Deacon Samuel Stocking.

"Jan 13:1712-13 Whereas at a town meeting March 22<sup>d</sup>: 1708-9 the town by voat Granted to Mr David Deming about twenty acres of land provided he settled there. w<sup>th</sup> our neighbors on the north side riuerlet In the work of the ministry but Mr Deming failing, by the request of the neighbours on the north side the riverlet, at this town meeting Jáney 13<sup>th</sup>: 1712: 13 the town by voat grant the same privildge or quantity of land to Mr Joseph Smith upon the same terms provided he settle there in the work of the ministry. and doe Impower the same com<sup>tee</sup> formerly

\* Charles Goodrich must have been a brother to William<sup>4</sup> who married Rachel<sup>3</sup> Savage (John<sup>2</sup>, John<sup>1</sup>) and David<sup>4</sup> who married Sarah Edwards, and Sarah<sup>4</sup> who married Richard Butler. His autograph is copied from a 1736 deed from Richard Butler to David Edwards which was witnessed by David and Charles Goodrich, though the name of the latter is not given in the Goodrich Genealogy.

chosen to lay it out on the same terms as before specified." They laid out sixteen acres in the region of Timber Hill, "comon butting all round," which he sold in 1725 to William Savage, and his autograph to such deed of sale is given herewith.

*Joseph Smith*

They laid out four acres between John Sage's and John Ranney's which made much trouble between him and Mr. Sage as to the correct dividing line. Perhaps in consequence he exchanged it for a large tract in the Nooks, which in time became the homesteads of his grandsons, Joseph, John and Nathaniel. The house built thereon by Capt. Joseph Smith is owned and occupied by Charles Bowers.

The record book of the North Society contains in the handwriting of Capt. John Warner this

"grand levie for the north society in Middletown 1714 As followeth:

	£	s		£	s
James Brown.....	22	00	Capt. John Savage.....	89	02
Widow Butler.....	6	00	Thomas Savage.....	41	10
Joseph Butler.....	13	10	William Savage.....	73	00
Nathl Clark.....	46	14	Hannah Scovil.....	27	10
Daniel Clark.....	65	10	Mary Scovil.....	15	00
Serg John Clark.....	71	17	John Shepherd.....	} 79	00
John Clark.....	46	00	Edward Shepherd.....		
Isaac Cornell.....	24	00	Samuel Shepherd.....	21	00
Joseph Crofoot.....	18	00	Daniel Stocking.....	59	05
Samuel Frary.....	69	00	Samuel Stow.....	39	05
Roger Gibson.....	45	00	Thomas Stow, Sr.....	42	00
Samuel Gibson.....	72	00	Thomas Stow, Jr.....	43	00
David Hurlbut.....	37	00	John Warner, Sr.....	77	19
John Kirby.....	30	00	John Warner, Jr.....	75	11
Samuel Lucas.....	35	00	Joseph White.....	85	10
William Mark.....	25	00	Ensign White.....	85	10
Margaret Ranney.....	3	10	John White.....	18	10
Ebenezer Ranney.....	48	10	Hugh White.....	42	00
Joseph Ranney.....	61	05	Daniel White.....	49	17
John Ranney.....	30	05	Jacob White.....	88	00
Thomas Ranney.....	120	15	Israel Wilcox.....	148	05
Widow Ranney.....	6	10	John Wilcox.....	57	05
Widow Sage.....	24	10	Francis Wilcox.....	59	05
Timothy Sage.....	79	05	Samuel Wilcox.....	77	00
John Sage.....	150	00	Joseph Whitmore.....	44	10
Total .....				£2,586	03

"Serg. Clark" was the John Clark who came from Haddam and married Elizabeth White. Thomas Stow, Sr., came from

lower Middletown and married Bethia Stocking. These two then were "old residents"; Brown, Butler, Cornell, Crofoot, Frary, Gibson, Hurlbut, Lucas, Mark, Scovil and Joseph Whitmore were "recent" comers. A number born here had recently removed to the east side of the Connecticut River.

The first meeting recorded in the book of the North Society, now duly empowered to manage church and school affairs, was held "Feb. 18:1713-14. The return of the committy was that provided the society give mr smith a comfortable maintenance he will settle with us." It would seem that the committee retired and interviewed Mr. Smith, for "the committee returned and reported and it was then voted to settle Mr Smith at £60 per year for the present and more as his necessity calls for it and our ability enables." "Voted a rate of 2 pence upon the pound towards finishing the meeting house half of sd rate to be gathered by May 1 next the other half by Nov. 1." Joseph Whitmore was to be collector. Samuel Wilcox, Sr., Samuel Gibson and John Warner, Jr., were a committee to hire workmen to finish the meeting house. Samuel Frary was ordered to gather the rate that he was chosen to collect "forthwith without any further delay."

On March 14, 1714, it was voted to finish the meeting house "after the same manner the meeting house in South Society that is the two ends of itt." Serg. Clark was to make the body of seats for 8s. each seat.

March 24, 1714, Ensign (Daniel) White, Samuel Gibson and John Warner to "carry on sd finishing of ye meeting house as it was formerly voted. Joseph Ranney was a committee "to carry on ye school house with Serg. [William] Savage and John Sage." The "clerk of this society shall transcribe all ye voats that have been pased by this society since he was chosen clerk into a book with a parchment cover." And this parchment-covered book was used until 1772 and is the authority of the compiler of this history. A committee of five was appointed to "carry on ye needful in preparing for settlement of mr Smith." The meeting then repeated the vote passed Jan. 17, 1710-11, "relating to ye 40<sup>s</sup> annually to be paid by ye society to schools, excepting the first year."

The church was duly organized on Jan. 5, 1714-15, and Mr. Smith was installed pastor on the same day. The original members were:

Capt. John Savage  
Mrs. John Savage  
Serg. Wm. Savage

Widow Nathaniel White  
Joseph White  
Mrs. Joseph White

Mrs. Wm. Savage  
 Thomas Ranney  
 Mrs. Thomas Ranney  
 John Ranney  
 Mrs. John Ranney  
 Joseph Ranney  
 Mrs. Joseph Ranney  
 Samuel Stow  
 Mrs. Samuel Stow

Mrs. Daniel White, Sr.  
 Mrs. Jonathan Warner  
 Widow Shepard  
 Samuel Gibson  
 Mrs. Thomas Stow, Sr.  
 Mrs. Daniel Clark  
 Mrs. Nathaniel Savage  
 Samuel Hall

On Feb. 10, 1715-16, Sergeant William Savage and Sergeant Samuel Hall were elected deacons, though Samuel Hall had removed to the east side of the river, where he was elected the first deacon on the organization of the church there in 1721.

Feb. 1, 1714-15, Daniel Stocking was a committee "to collect ye glass rate," Samuel Stow to "collect ye rate" for "ye transporting mr Smith and his goods and family from hors neck." Horse Neck, in Greenwich, Conn, is famous as the place where General Putnam galloped his horse down stone steps to escape the British. John Sage and John Warner were a committee "for ye schoole and to hire a schoolmaster." "What the 40<sup>s</sup> on the £1000 and ye town money doth not reach to maintain the half year school what is wanting shall be levied on the poles of the children from five yere old to ten farmers only excepted."

Feb. 14, 1714-15, Samuel Stow was "to beat the drum and sweep the meeting house for the yeare ensuing and to look after the doors for £1-5<sup>ss</sup>." Allowed Jacob White "5 shillings for cider." Made the collectors responsible for collecting the rates, and the clerk to give them a "clearing" when they have done so.

Feb. 14, 1715-16, "granted ebyneser Raney ten shilings for sweeping the meeting house for ye year ensuing." Saml Gibson and Samuel Stow were a "commity with John Warner to look after the schoole and to hire a school master or school dame as they shal think fit and most for ye Society's advantage." It will be seen that Mrs. Smith with a husband and three children to care for kept school three months in this year for £5. In what house the school was kept is not known, but they voted a rate of two pence upon the pound to carry on the building of the school-house, "said rate to be paid in wheat at 4<sup>s</sup> per bushel, rye at 3<sup>s</sup> per bushel, and indian corn at 2<sup>s</sup> 6<sup>d</sup>. Carpenters for work to receive 3<sup>s</sup> per day, other laborers 2<sup>s</sup> 6<sup>d</sup> and for man and team of 4 cattell 5<sup>s</sup> per day." The former committee of the school was ordered to pay over what is in his hands to the present committee "to be laid out for ye benefit of the society in schooling."

Jan. 14, 1716-17, a committee of seven was appointed "to treat with the south society in Middletown respecting the old meeting house in ye above s<sup>d</sup> society and to secure what part belongs to ye north society." The former collector was so slow in passing over the money due the society, according to the auditors' report filed Feb. 29, 1715-16, that Samuel Gibson, Samuel Stow and John Warner were specially charged "y<sup>t</sup> ye com<sup>tt</sup> now to take care of the school shall have full power to demand the above said money in the hands of ye former com<sup>tt</sup> and to use all lawful means for ye recovery of ye same for the benefit of the society in schooling."

Dec. 17, 1717, it was agreed that the society should have a "wood bee," and a time was to be set for the same and the "inhabitants warned" of the same.

Daniel Stocking and John Warner were appointed a committee to give Mr. Joseph Smith "a deed of the house and lot upon his paying for the glas and the nails." This deed is dated Jan. 3, 1717 (1718) and is recorded on page 369, vol. 3, Middletown Land Records. He was to furnish the "glass and the nails" for the house now occupied by Mr. William E. Greaves.

On May 5, 1718, the society appointed Lieut. William Savage to act in behalf of the society at the General Assembly "to be held in Hartford the 8th instant" with respect to the petition of the "great swamp men or northwest quarter respecting the ministerial charge and parrish charge mentioned in s<sup>d</sup> petition." The families who had settled in the extreme northwest part of the town desired to attend the Great Swamp Church (Kensington now) and to help support that church and so be relieved of contributing to the North Society Church. The General Court granted the request of those living within one and a half miles of the northwest corner of the town.

Dec. 4, 1718, "The society then by a unanimous voat agrees to burn the proposals that m<sup>r</sup> Joseph Smith sent to ye meeting March the 26: 1714 with respect to his settlement" and increased his salary to £70 and firewood.

Dec. 28, 1719, it was voted to elect officers by "raising hands" and John Warner, Jr., was elected clerk. May 13, 1720, "agreed to hire a school dame two months to make up their half years schoole for this present year," lest they would forfeit their town rate.

Nov. 15, 1720. It was voted to have a "1. pence rate to defray the charge of getting Mr. Smiths fire wood which rate is to be paid in wood at 3<sup>s</sup> pr load and to be carryed to m<sup>r</sup> Smiths at or before the 15th of Jan. next, or to pay in cash to the committee."

Dec. 27, 1720. The minister is to be paid in "contry rate"

as stated by the General Court in money or grain, and to receive £70 a year since he settled.

Dec. 11, 1721. The annual meeting is to begin at 8 in the morning. The minister's salary goes to £75 for the year past, and those who failed last year to bring in their wood are to be warned. Salary is to be paid before the last day of March in money or grain as it generally passes at the time or as they can agree with Mr. Smith. Nathaniel Clark and Daniel White, Jr., are "to look after the children and youth on the Sabath in the time of publick worship." Thomas Ranney is to have 26s for beating the drum and sweeping the meeting house, and "the society agreed to seat their meeting hous."

March 14, 1723. Thomas Stow (Jr.), must have been a superior workman, for he is to have 3s. 6d. per day for work, and the others 2s. 9d. And a division of labor is made, for Nathaniel Ranney is to beat the drum for 15s. and Thomas Ranney is to have 15s. for sweeping the house and shutting the windows and doors after the public worship is ended.

Dec. 14, 1724, the minister's salary goes up to £80 and Widow Scovil has her rate abated. The land where her house stood on the bank of the great river at the end of the Nuiks road has long since been washed away.

Dec. 13, 1725. Joseph Ranney gets 14s for sweeping the meeting house the year coming, and Nathaniel Ranney is to have 16s for beating the drum "if he can be obtained," otherwise the committee is to hire one as cheap as they can. The demand for better schooling facilities seems to have arisen, for it was voted "to any person or persons in this society to improve the school house for schooling their children at any time when the Society hath not need to make use of it for to keep their half years schoolin."

Dec. 12, 1726, the salary goes up to £85. The term "deacon" is first used in the records in referring to Deacon Samuel Gipson. Mr. Smith is to have £15 more and get his own wood.

The next matter of interest for the north side was in a town meeting held only a week later, Dec. 19, 1726, when John Shepherd and Thomas Savage were appointed tything men "for the north side." Their authority and duty was "When they discover any of the youth disorderly on the Sabath especially in the time of divine worship they shall bring every such youth on the space at or near the foot of the galery stayers in view and caus s<sup>d</sup> youth there to stand untill divine worship be over in publick."

The meeting of Dec. 12, 1726, had another very important matter for consideration.



“Voted that the present committee of the Society shall make demand of what money deacon Samuel Stow hath in his hands and what is yet to gather of the half penny rate that he was to collect for the finishing of the meeting hous and to use all lawful means for the recovery of the same and to lay it out for the repairing the meeting house and the school house.”

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At a town meeting held Dec. 1, 1729, there was quite a dispute about the tax rate and it was decided by an aye and nay: “43 for itt. 33 against it.”

Feb. 2, 1729-30. The school is to be kept 3<sup>m</sup> by a school-mater and 3<sup>m</sup> by a “school mistris” and the money allowed by the town and country shall be divided among them “according to their ways and when necessary to raise money on poles to defray the charge of s<sup>d</sup> half years school it shall be raised upon the pools of all that go to any part of the half years school equally and that this shall be a standing rule.”

It was voted on Feb. 2, 1729-30, that the annual meeting should be held the first Monday in November and the hour was “to begin at noon.” But on Nov. 2, 1730, the annual meeting was “very thin. thought fit to aiourn and it was aiourned until Monday the ninth of this instant at one of the clock in the afternoon.” At this adjourned meeting John Warner, he of the account book, the gravedigger, the public officer, was continued as “clark.” The salary goes up to £95 and “to allow 5<sup>s</sup> pr load for wood.”

Still the wood question is a burning one, even before the wood is delivered, for on Nov. 16, 1731, Joseph Frary is to be collector of firewood, “and if any person shall neglect or refuse to get and carry to Mr. Smith his or their part of wood” the collector shall have “full power to make destraint on such person for his part of said wood.”

On Nov. 24, 1731, the schoolmaster is to get two-thirds and the school mistris one-third and Mr. Smith’s salary goes up to £112, “of which sum 1<sup>d</sup> on £ is to be paid in wood at 5<sup>s</sup> per load.”

Dec. 1, 1732, a half pence rate is voted to repair the school house. (There does not seem to be any complaint that the school is not supplied with wood.) Deacon Wilcock and two others are to call the former collectors to account for what they are behind to use in repairing the schoolhouse. Nov. 21, 1734, “Deacon John Wilcock was chose Moderator:  $\frac{2}{3}$  of the inhabitants of the North Society declared that it was of necessity to build a new meeting house in said society.” Adjourned to “Wednesday, Nov. 28 at sun down,” at which adjourned meeting

“Voted to build their meeting house fifty foot long and thirty foot in width” and “to begin to get timber last of January or 1<sup>st</sup> of February next.

“to cover their meeting house with 18 inch shingles that is the roff of it.

“whoever should disburse any towards the build of said meeting house shall bring in his account to the clerk once in 14 days on the Monday evening att his dwelling house.” On June 6, 1735, Deacon John Wilcock, Deacon Samuel Gipson and Thomas Johnson were the committee to build, but Deacon Wilcock declined to serve and Samuel Shepard was appointed in his stead.

At the May session, 1735, of the Great and General Court, “on memorial of the north society two-thirds had voted to build a new meeting house and asked for a committee to view said society and pitch upon a proper place to set up said house. The Assembly appointed Messrs. Jabez Hamlin, Joseph Southmayd and John Gaynes. Said committee reported that they had staked out the place for sd house to be set on, which is about 10 feet northward of the present meeting house. Wherefore this Assembly do enact and order, that the said inhabitants shall set up their meeting house at said place staked out as aforesaid.”

The church as then erected stood out in the main highway. Later it was moved back some distance, so that it did not interfere with the present west side sidewalk.

Nov. 3, 1735, it was decided to build 55x30 feet and “23 between ioynnts” and Thomas Savage, Francis Wilcock and John Sage, Jr., were added to the building committee.

March 22, 1735 (1736), a committee was fully empowered to use all lawful means to recover what money is in Deacon Stow’s hands and Thomas Tillotson’s hands.

“Voted that what drink is expended in raising their meeting house shall be born by the Society excepting what shall be drunk with their victuals.”

The Society is “divided into three parts to provide a dinner for the raisers of the meeting hous, each part to provid the day they are ordered to provid.”

While the work of building this church occupyes their attention their pastor is called to his rest. Nov. 1, 1736, Deacon Samuel Gipson was chosen moderator, but declined, and Joseph Ranney, Sr., was “chosen in his roome.” Mr. Ranney was then 73 years of age and had resided on what is now the Frisbie place since his marriage 50 years before. No notice is taken by the meeting in the way of passing resolutions of regret, but “the society granted to the Reverend Mr. Joseph Smith, deceased, £100, it being his due

at the time of his decease." And a committee was appointed "to take the advice of the ministers in order to looking out for a minister for this society." "Candidating," even then, was in vogue, as arrangements were made for "any of them to come and preach to us in this Society."

The Rev. Mr. Brainerd preached for five Sabbaths and received £10 19s. "for his preach to us." Mrs. Smith was in need of wood and a committee was appointed "to agree with Mrs. Smith about the wood in contest between Mrs. Smith and the society."

The Rev. Edward Eells, brother to the Rev. Nathaniel Eells of Stonington, and son of the Rev. Nathaniel Eells of Scituate, Mass., came as a candidate, and on July 7, 1737, the meeting agreed "to voat by holding up hands" to "improve M<sup>r</sup> ealls in the work of the ministry further upon triall"; and a committee was "Empowered to treat with M<sup>r</sup> ealls to know what he must have for preaching amongst us already and what further trial and to treat with M<sup>r</sup> ealls upon terms of settlement." A rate of 2d. for "expenses of triall already" was voted.

When Oct. 5, 1737, arrived the effort to bring Deacon Samuel Stow to terms was successful, for "the Society quited deacon Stow of 7<sup>s</sup> 9<sup>d</sup> of ye half penny rate he was chosen to colect Dec. 11: 1721," and the other collectors had the same courteous let-off. A rate of 12d. on pound was ordered, the levy being £1737, so that £87 was to be raised. It was decided to finish the meeting house before winter as far as possible. The Society agreed to pay Mrs. Smith for five or six Sabbaths she claimed her husband was never paid, but as to the claim for wood, the clerk was chosen with the committee to

1—treat with Mrs. Smith about the wood

2—and agree with her

3—or leave it to arbitration

4—or to defend it in law if they cannot agree any other way."

It was decided to pull down the old meeting house and see what timber that they think profitable for further finishing their new meeting house.

At the same meeting they "made choice of the reverend M<sup>r</sup> edward eales" to be their minister, and voted £400 for his encouragement to settle, and a salary of £100. Note the style of the clerk, who was Capt. John Warner, gravedigger, weaver, and who "filled many public offices."

In 1695 a meadow had been set off near Goose's Delight for a "parsonage"—or land for the use of the parson. It now consists of 27 acres of fine meadow, on the north bank of Sebethe River. On Dec. 29, 1737, a committee was appointed "to take care of the

parsonage belonging to the north society in Middletown and to settle the fence between the parsonage and the neighbors adjoining to it. and it was agreed upon by the society that all male persons of 12 years old and upward shall work one day att clearing the parsonag when it is a convenient season."

A salary of £120 per year for three years and his firewood yearly —after three years to rise £10 yearly, till it comes to £140 yearly, and his firewood annually and more if his circumstances call for it, "provided that the money holds its present currency but if the valuation of the money rises or falls then to rise or fall accordingly"—a wise precaution in the light of later fluctuations.

On July 20, 1738, three deacons were appointed "to discours with m<sup>r</sup> eales as to his settlement with us and to apoint the time for his ordination and all other things that are proper and customary antecieden to ordination." He was ordained on Sept. 6, 1738; the sermon preached by his father was printed and a copy is in the Conn. Historical Society's Library in Hartford.

"Nov. ye 6<sup>th</sup> 1738" John Shepard was chosen clerk. And on Dec. 18, 1738, "Then John Shepard was sworn," and "sam Peck's rate was abated for the first year to ye Rev. Mr. Edward Ealls."

A yearly school is now to be kept and the year is to be divided into four quarters. The third quarter is to be kept by a school "mistris." In addition to town and country money what is needed to be raised each quarter on the "pooles." If a child go only one day in a month he shall pay for that month. Each month to begin the 1st day of the month, and the "old school house" is to be repaired.

On Dec. 18, 1738, the petition of Joseph Ranney, Jr., Thomas Johnson and others of the North Society was laid before a town meeting, "praying the town to release all the title it may have to a piece of common land, lying between Malachi Lewis dwelling house and Thomas Stows, Jr., bounded South on common field or highway containing 6 or 7 acres, in order to purchase the same for the Rev. Mr. Edward Eells." The request was granted and the deed, Vol. 6, p. 81, Middletown Land Records, says it contains eleven acres. This was on the west side of the street from the cemetery. The well exists to-day. On the south part of this homestead the Rev. Mr. Eells built a mansion for his son, Major Edward Eells, and then deeded it to him. It was for many years known as the Deacon William Ranney house, whose tan vats on the premises have left their impression to this day.

About this time the town was much interested in promoting the increase of cattle for themselves, being farmers, as well as in

looking out for the instruction of their children. At times the same special tax for schools and for bulls was levied. But on Dec. 22, 1740, £30 was voted for schools and £40 for bulls.

On July 4, 1740, the pew at the right hand of the front door was assigned for the family use of Mr. "Eells," who had probably instructed the clerk how to write his name. Mrs. Smith was released from paying her rate "for ye time past."

A number of townships had been laid out in the western part of the colony and the proceeds were to be devoted to the support of schools. On Dec. 11, 1741, a committee was appointed to receive the bonds belonging to this Society and to lease out the same again for the use of this Society.

At a town meeting held Dec. 22, 1740, John Kirby and Samuel Shepard were permitted "to sett a house 30x40 on the west side of the north society school house in the highway for their convenience on Sabbath days." John Kirby lived four miles west, and as there was no fire in the church they were thus privileged to erect "Sabbath Day houses" where the comforts of a fireplace gave them coals for use in getting dinner and in their foot-pans for the afternoon service in the meeting house.

On Nov. 1, 1742, Thomas Johnson is chosen "clark" for said Society, and Francis Wilcock, Hugh White and Ensign John Sage were elected to "order the prodentials in said Society." This Mr. Johnson was a son of the man who in 1737 had cut the stone for the Boston house of Thomas Hancock, he being the uncle of John Hancock who lived in this house when he put his famous signature to the Declaration of Independence. Young Thomas Johnson may have helped to carve "Thomas and Lydia Hancock" into the corner stone of the mansion which stood a short distance west of the Capitol, where Ginn & Co. have their book headquarters. When this house was torn down in 1863 the corner stone became the property of Henry Savage Chase and is now a part of the gateway at the entrance to the Chase grounds in Brookline, Mass. Mr. Chase was grandson of Capt. Timothy Savage. (See Savage Family.)

"Voted to record in the society's book at all times coming all the Receipts Procured or Given by the Committee of s<sup>d</sup> society." The committee was empowered to settle with Mr. Joseph Smith if anything is due his father. A committee was appointed to "clearing the Personage." Wood has gone up to 11s. per load. A committee was duly appointed to apprise the loads "and if said committee shall judge any pretended to be under an Honest Load it shall pass at the price that the committee shall prize it at. A rate of 3<sup>d</sup> for clearing the personage."

On Nov. 7, 1743, it was decided to keep school a whole year, half the time by a schoolmaster, half the time by a schoolmistress, she to receive only half the compensation he was to receive. A committee was named and empowered "to hire a house or houses, to keep the schoole in," and another committee "to inspect our covenant with ye Rev. Mr Edward Eells and make report," and the meeting adjourned "until the next Monday come seven night at 12 of the clock."

The need of a new schoolhouse was fully recognized on Nov. 21, 1743.

It was voted to build a school house.

A committee was appointed to build it.

The schoolhouse is to be 24 ft. x 18 ft.

Also to go on and finish the meeting house.

A rate of 12d for building the schoolhouse and finishing the meeting house.

To add £10 10s to the Rev. Mr. Edward Eells' "sallery" the year ensuing to make up for the fall of money.

The £10 10s in committee's hands to be used in purchasing a "grave cloath."

To take up three seats in each of the two square bodies in the meeting house and make pews in their room.

On Nov. 5, 1744, £23 old tenor was added to the "sallery" this year upon the consideration of the fall of money. And Jonathan Ranney was allowed something more than the £100 already agreed on for finishing the meeting house as the committee may decide. He soon removed to Guilford, where he had found a wife years before.

The town had become disposed to "improve sundry donations" made to the school or schools in Middletown by Messrs. Jasper Clemence, Samuel Stow and Nathaniel White, "whether the s<sup>d</sup> donations may (agreeable to the wills of the donors) be now divided unto the several schools now agreed upon to be kept in the town or whether they are (according to said wills) belong to one school or schools." So on Dec. 21, 1741, the matter was referred to a committee. The properties were sold and the proceeds put into two funds, and in 1851 Cromwell received its share.

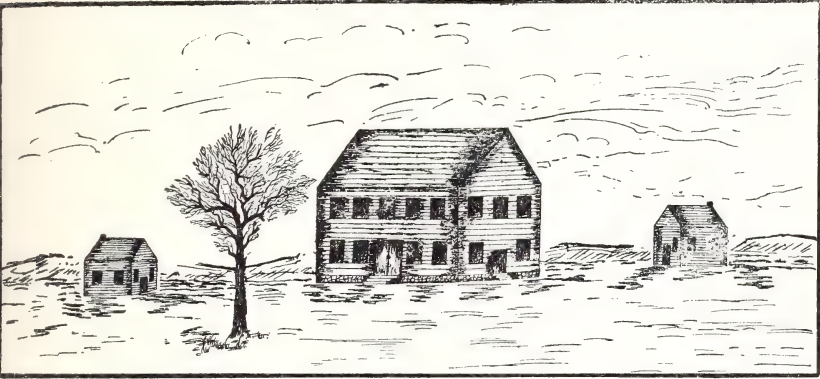
Nov. 19, 1745, the salary goes up to £202 "old tenor." "If any are hindered from coming to school by unavoydable providence it shall be left in the Brest of the Schoole committee to consider them." The farmers in the northwest part of the Society, now East Berlin, were privileged to have a school and share the school money, if they lived over 1½ miles from the schoolhouse.

On Nov. 3, 1746, the salary is £360, "to make good our cove-

nant with him." How many clergymen of to-day would be delighted if their salaries were based on the purchasing power of the dollar!

Nov. 7, 1748, the salary is £440, and a school is to be kept the whole year, ten months in the society's schoolhouse and two months in the northwest quarter at the dwelling house of John Savage, now East Berlin. In 1750 stone steps are to be procured for the meeting house at discretion of the committee.

Like the wood for Parson Smith, the "parsnage" meadow, out of sight from a house in 1907, became the occasion of much trouble for some years. So on April 2, 1752, the Society offered Mr. Eells £100 annually, old tenor, reckoning it according to silver at



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£3 per ounce, if he would "give this society an aquittance of his right in the personage during the time of his continuing to be our minister."

Nov. 4, 1751, Nathaniel Chauncey, graduate of Yale, and son of the Rev. Nathaniel Chauncey, the first graduate of Yale as also the first pastor at Durham, descendant of President Chauncy of Harvard College, had just come to town, having married Mary (Hall) Stocking, widow of John Stocking, who had died at "Statia." He was an important addition to the community and was added to the committee "to let out the donation money to the best advantage."

"The First Monday after the Thanksgiving" is set as the day "to bring in wood." In 1754 the salary goes up to £470 and a committee is appointed "to search records" to see if any injustice had been done Mr. Eells as to "sallery." Wood is £4 per

cord. The committee's report led the Society to add £50 to the salary "in order to make good the damage he has sustained by bad pay in time past." When the reader turns to the Eells family record it will be seen that his efforts to educate a family deserved the fullest liberal recognition.

By this time the grandchildren of the settlers had so well populated the "road to Hartford" that a school was needed only half a mile north of the church green, and it was thought best to "have it as near the dwelling house of Capt. Joseph Ranney as the school committee can procure a suitable place." Five months a school was to be kept in the schoolhouse and four months in the "north part."

In 1755 the Society had tired of paying Mr. Eells £100 in lieu of the "parsonage," and after much controversy he "agreed to take it back." A committee had made a report and the Society had "voated it out." "Now we acknowledge that we are to blame and have not treated Mr. Eells well in not sending a committee again." They then appointed a committee "to repare and to make Ditches" and to "set a quick according to Mr. Eells Proposals in order to taking the parsonage into his hands again and also to lay out money in subduing the parsonage." Mr. Eells' "proposals" are then recorded, showing he owned land adjoining the "parsonage" meadow. The "quick" referred to a creek. The salary goes up to £640 "old tenor" on Nov. 10, 1755; but on Nov. 10, 1756, it goes down to £60 "lawful money." On the same day it was voted to "build a new school house fourteen feet one way and seventeen feet the other way to be set up a little northward from Captain Joseph Ranney's house." This schoolhouse was built, but of different dimensions. About fifty years ago it traveled one mile to become the ell of a house located near Chestnut Brook. It was covered with oak plank  $2\frac{1}{2}$  inches thick, which are still there, put on perpendicular-wise, and its appearance is given herewith.

Still the salary question remains a burning one. Nov. 8, 1760, it is made £70, with £15 for last year's deficiency. But on Nov. 1, 1761, Mr. Eells handed in a proposal which he himself entered on the Society's book, in which he proposed a salary of £80 "to avoid yearly disputes." He was willing "after the extraordinary charges of the war are over" to begin at £70 and work up to £80, referring to the French-Indian War, in which many from here were engaged and he was a chaplain. That this was "accepted by a clear vote." is the clerk's record.

Nov. 2, 1761, Daniel Stocking, known as "The Schoolmaster," and a graduate of Yale, was chosen clerk and "sworn according to law." It was voted to put a "window on the back side of the



meeting house against the pulpit for the benefit of the Rev. Mr. Eells." Luke Stebbins and several others are to "tune the Psalms in the meeting house in this Society for the year insuing." "The West part of this Society was permitted to build them a school house and to raise 1<sup>s</sup> on the £ to help them."

"Voted that the limits of the Western School in this Society should be bounded Eastwardly by the highway running north from the house of Mr. Jared Shepherd to the Short Hills, so called." This constituted the "northwest district" of the present town. What was formerly "n. w. quarter" had become a part of the Worthington Society, and later the East Berlin part of the town of Berlin. It was settled by Upper Houses families. Its cemetery was givn by Daniel Wilcox and is well kept.

"Voted that the Instructions for the Seaters of the meeting house should proceed in the seating according to age, honor and Interest."

Capt. Samuel Gaylord had been absent for six seasons engaged in the French-Indian War, and when he returned he for some reason asked to have his rate abated. This request was refused Nov. 8, 1762. John Clark was chosen to be gravedigger. The meeting adjourned to the day after Thanksgiving, but when they met Nov. 19 their dinner must have left them unfit to do business for they "adjourned without date." In 1764 they decided "to agree with a mason to build a stone chimney in the south schoolhouse." In 1765 they met "by special warning to consider and vote relating to school money that is in the hands of Mr. Lawrence of Canaan and other matters that may occur," and instructed the "committee on donations to this Society" to act in the affairs of the monies that were left in the hands of Mr. Lawrence of Canaan for this school. In 1766 they decided to alter both the pews under the stairs, and in 1767 the "seaters are to seat the galleries so far as they think proper."

Winter in those days without a fire in the church was winter at the best, but the society's committee was instructed to repair the meeting house "to make it comfortable in winter."

The growth of the population had been such, notwithstanding that many had gone to Vermont, Western Massachusetts, and the western part of the colony, that provision must be made for more school accommodations; so there is issued a "Special Warning," and on Christmas Day, 1770, the record as prepared by the clerk reads:

Voted, That the schools in this society for the future shall be divided into four destricts.

1 Voted. The North School is to include southward Mr. Comfort Butler and Mr. Nathaniel Riley. The Butler house is now known as the "Wightman" house and Nathaniel Riley's house stood where the Connecticut Home for aged veterans and their wives stands.

2 Voted. The South School is from Mr. Rileys southward to the ferry bridge and westward to the brook called Wilcox Brook. This is the brook which runs into the old quarry pond.

3 Voted. The West School is from Wilcox Brook excluding Jerod Shepherd north to Wethersfield.

4 Taking in Jerod Shepherd running west to the (Little) River and north to Wethersfield line.

Voted. "That a school house should be built in the 3rd district Dimensions 16 feet one way and 18 the other." Solomon Sage to be the committee to build it. Capt. Plumb and Mr. Ozias Wilcox were to locate it.

On the third Monday in November, 1771, Mr. Daniel Stocking serves for the last time as "clark."

School committees and collectors were elected as follows:

Solomon Savage (an M. D., too) for the North District.

Edward Eells, Jr., for the 3rd District.

Aaron White for the 4th District.

And none named for the South or original district.

The committee was empowered to hire a room for the 3rd district and the children of that district were permitted to attend the South School district. The sum of £20 was to be raised for building the schoolhouse in the 3rd district. Edward Eells, Jr., was elected clerk. He enlisted in 1774 in the special emergency troops, started for the seat of war the day after word came of the battle of Lexington, served all through the war, being at Bunker Hill and Yorktown; was one of the Founders of the Society of the Cincinnati, and sleeps beside his honored father. His grave is marked with the bronze marker of the Society of the Sons of the American Revolution, as are thirty graves of other patriots, whose bones rest within the limits of the North Society, while the memorial, of boulder, shells and cannon is in memory of more than fifty others born here, who served in the Revolution and found graves elsewhere. Here is the style of Edward Eells, Jr., as clerk:

“ Meeting of April 2 : 1772

1 Vote

That the South and neighboring West school Districts should come into one District and that there should be built one new school house to accommodate the Districts and that the new school house should be placed over the brook called Wilcox brook near Mr. Fletcher Ranneys (his house is given herewith) and that other votes that are passed respecting the school which interferes with this vote are repealed.

2 Vote

The Dementions of the above voted house should be 26 feet one way and 20 feet the other.

3 Vote

Solomon Sage and John Sage are appointed a committee to build it.

4 Vote

That the above house should be Built with brick.

5 Vote

That the twenty pounds that was voted in the 1771 to build the West school house should be put to the use of the above voted house with the two pound rearges.”

On Sept. 21, 1772. The Society reconsidered “ ye 1 vote concerning joyning ye South District with ye dist.

“ Granted to ye South Destrict in order to help them to a school house in ye Room of ye old school house Destroyed by fire £20 to be rayسد by ye levy of this Society.”

On Monday, Nov. 9, 1772 :

“ 3 Vote

Mr. Joseph Frary and Mr. Abijah Savage are chosen for a committee to see into the affair of the South Destrict consarning there school house to build it.

4 Vote

That the South Destrict school house should stand where it now stands.”

James Smith for the South, William Sage for the Third and Jarod Shepherd for the fourth, were elected district committees, and Doctor “ Hollaburds ” (Hurlbut) rate was abated. These three men soon were actively engaged in the War of the Revolution.

On Nov. 1, 1773 :

Joseph Frary for the South, Hezekiah Ranney for the North and Wm. Savage for the West District are district committees. Joseph Frary was eminent as a surveyor, Hezekiah Ranney as a schoolmaster will be written of elsewhere, as also Wm. Savage,

who married Abiah Eells, daughter of John Eells and the widow of Mordecai Lincoln, whose name on his tombstone is Linkton. They came here from Taunton, she being a niece of the Rev. Edward Eells.

And here ends the volume with a parchment cover. The next volume of the Society's records is missing. The arrangement by which a "Society" governed schools and the financial part of a church continued till 1795, when the General Assembly relegated to each school district the management of its own affairs and the "Society" was restricted to managing the church's finances. In 1786 Hezekiah Ranney made a report showing he had taught the combined South and West districts, giving the number of days' attendance on the part of the children of each head of a family, and the quantity of wood furnished by each head. This report has lately disappeared.

The brick schoolhouse in the third or West District stood on the open ground in front of the present Catholic parsonage, and was also in front of the home of Elisha Sage, the Revolutionary patriot, who in 1795 built the exterior walls of the old State House in Hartford and which was designed by Bulfinch, who designed the original Capitol at Washington and the old State House in Boston. There is no record known of any contract or workers on the old Connecticut State House, except that in 1802 his widow, Martha Sage, demurred to the General Assembly against being called on to pay damages because of her husband's failure to complete his contract in time, on the ground that the materials were not promptly furnished. In this brick schoolhouse Elisha Sage, Jr., attended school, he being the father of the late Russell Sage. The compiler of this volume taught in this brick schoolhouse in the winter of 1855-56.

About 1795 the General Assembly took the matter of schools out of the hands of the societies. Abijah Savage appeared before the General Assembly and had the Society divided into five districts by dividing the North District into two so that the south line of the Center District was brought down to a line running between the present Congregational and Baptist churches. The town map in the County Atlas published in 1884 gives these lines in colors.

But the desire of a separate school of a higher grade had earlier taken root in this community, and the town received the following petition:

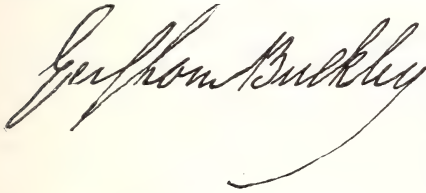
"Sept. 9, 1782, To the inhabitants of Middletown, to be assembled in town meeting this day, Gentlemen. The education of children we look upon as a matter of great importance

& which in many places too very much neglected, & in order that our children may no longer share in the common calamity, we the subscribers have entered into a written agreement to set up, support, & maintain at our own private expense, a school to be steadily kept, both winter & summer, & having no place on our land convenient as that spot on which one was formerly built a few rods west of the meeting house, we therefore earnestly request the favor of this town, to grant us liberty to build a house, on that spot of ground and as it cant possibly, in any degree discommode the public nor any private person, and as our design in its own nature is laudable & cant but meet the approbation of every generous mind, so we flatter ourselves, you will so far countenance our design, as cheerfully to comply with our request.

“ Nath <sup>l</sup> Eells	} Com’ee	
“ Wm Sage		in behalf
“ Timo Gibson		of the whole.

“Voted, That the memorialists have liberty to erect a School house as mentioned above, during the town’s pleasure.”

The Rev. Gershom Bulkeley, graduate of Yale, was then minister of the North Society. Isaac Gridley, a graduate of Yale in the class of 1773, where he was roommate of Nathan Hale, the martyr spy, had been teaching here for some time. Other college graduates resided here.



The author of the petition was a master of good English. The schoolhouse was erected and maintained as a private school within the memory of the most aged persons residing here.

The village south of the church green and near the river was very thickly settled, owing to the multiplication of ship yards, and wharves and warehouses, the West India and other sea trade having become the principal source of revenue. In 1808 a lot was purchased for \$105 and a two-story schoolhouse was erected thereon which was in use till 1902. The name of “Bell School House” had been given to it because of its having a bell. This bell bears the inscription, “JEAN BAZIN, 1776.” On one side is a scene of the Crucifixion and on the other is a representation of the Blessed Virgin Mary. It was probably brought by some one of the dozens of sea captains from a French West India port. It

is about twelve inches in height and is kept at the Nathaniel White School. At the 1903 celebration it rested on the boulder then dedicated to the more than fifty Revolutionary patriots born here and buried elsewhere. When the census of 1814 was taken the following showed the number of children in each school district: South, 120; North, 51; Nooks or Center, 16; Brick, 45; North West, 45.

The spirit that had prompted the erection in 1782 of a private school found further exercise in the formation of a debating society. This society in 1810 became The Friendly Association. Its first president was the Rev. Joshua Lewis Williams, who was elected Feb. 20, 1810. He was frequently elected, as each president was elected for only a short term. His last election was on March 2, 1830. Among its early presidents were William Walter Woodworth, afterwards a clergyman; Dr. William Tully, later of Yale Medical Faculty; Wm. C. Redfield, the father of the American Society of Science and author of many works. The first volume of records shows that 422 meetings had been held previous to March 29, 1831. Then the second volume was opened showing that the 940th meeting was held Jan. 10, 1860. The Rev. Zebulon Crocker, who succeeded Mr. Williams as pastor, was an active member till death removed him. The most influential residents were active members. They had a valuable library, and their frequent meetings were not merely for debate, but for the presentation of original essays and stories, for recitations and dialogues, and Mrs. Silas Sage frequently regaled the audiences with her original poetry. The annual exercises were as elaborate as those of a high school of the present day, and were held in the meeting house. The result was the following agreement:

“Whereas on the 15 day of August A. D. 1834 the undersigned subscribed to a paper the object of which was to erect in Middletown North Society a suitable two Story Building for literary and religious purposes, the upper story or room to be exclusively for the use of the Second Congregational Church & Society in Middletown unless wanted as well as the lower room for literary purposes—and whereas in accomplishing said object land situated easterly of sd Society Meeting House has been purchased of Israel Russell (the conveyance not yet having been made) and a Building thereon erected—Now in order to authorize the manner & form of the conveyance from said Russell & thereafter the manner in which the Building & premises shall be held we direct as follows—That the said Russell convey the

premises to Eben Wilcox Isaac Sage & Joseph Williams & the persons who shall succeed them in the manner hereinafter specified forever in trust for the uses & purposes above expressed, the places of the said Wilcox Sage & Williams in the execution of said trust, in case of decease, or inability to act, to be supplied by such person or persons as Richard Warner Stephen Mil-drum & John Parmalee the com<sup>te</sup> of said Society or their successors as such Committee forever, from time to time may appoint any & all stipulations in the original writing not herein express<sup>d</sup> or implied are recalled. dated at Middletown May 26, 1836."

This was signd by 44 persons, of whom the Rev. Zebulon Crocker was one, and Dr. Richard Warner, Nath<sup>l</sup> Bushnell, Wm. C. Redfield as com<sup>te</sup> & in behalf of 2<sup>d</sup> Ecc Society, and Wm. R. Stocking in behalf of the Friendly Association.

"In pursuance of the object expressed in the foregoing paper dated May 26, 1836, by Joseph Williams & others executed & especially for one hundred & forty dollars received to my full satisfaction of the signers thereof I Israel Russell—grant, etc— for the uses & purposes in said paper Specified forever in trust"

This was signed by Israel Russell on Dec. 1, 1836.

The friendly Association took two shares of the stock. The property cost \$1700. The Academy prospered for many years. The teachers were:

Rev. Sylvester Judd, Yale 1835, 6 months.

Rev. John Lord Taylor, Yale 1836, 6 months

Rev. Richard F. Searle, Wesleyan 1835, 1 year.

Rev. Edgar J. Doolittle, Yale 1836, 1½ years, married dau. of Deacon Israel Sage.

Rev. Isaac P. Warren, D. D., Yale 1838, 1½ years, married dau. of Capt. Thomas Stow.

James Hanmer Francis, Yale 1826, 1 year.

Rev. George Thatcher, Yale 1840, 1 year.

Rev. Jared O. Knapp, Yale 1840, 3 years.

Rev. R. D. H. Allen, Middlebury, 1841, 1 year.

Rev. Wm. S. Wright, Yale 1839, 5 years.

Joseph Bardwell Lyman, Yale 1850, 6 months.

Julius Y. Leonard, Yale 1851.

The Rev. Edward Eells died Oct. 12, 1776, and the Rev. Ger-shom Bulkeley was installed June 17, 1778. He built, or his father built for him, the house standing opposite the corner of the old

cemetery, now known as the Joseph Edwards place. He resigned July 7, 1808, at which time he purchased the house built by Deacon Samuel Stocking for his daughter Bethia, who had married Thomas Stow. The Stow heirs in 1808 sold it to Mr. Bulkeley. It stood about opposite the Methodist church.

The Rev. Joshua Lewis Williams was installed June 14, 1809, and his pastorate ended with his death Dec. 29, 1832. He was known as "Priest Williams." His great work was as President of the Friendly Association. The Rev. Zebulon Crocker was installed May 2, 1833, and his pastorate ended with his death Nov. 14, 1847. In this short time he secured the building of the Academy, the present (brick) church, and the present (brick) parsonage. He maintained his interest in the Friendly Association to the last. He left no children. The Academy, the Brick Church and the Brick parsonage and the granite obelisk speak his worth.

In 1880 the Rev. Myron S. Dudley published the History of Cromwell, which had its origin in his centennial, 1876, sermon to which he made additions and issued it as a "Sketch," showing much research. He died in 1906, having been an active member of the New England Genealogical Society. From this "Sketch" the following tables are taken:

The following is the roll of deacons who have served this church since its organization:

Names.	Appointed.	Ceased to Act.	Remarks.
Sam'l Hall,	Feb. 10, 1716		
W. Savage,	" " "	Jan. 25, 1727	
S. Stow,		Sept. 28, 1741	
J. Wilcox		May 13, 1751	Died, Æ 68
S. Gipson,		March 18, 1748	" " 76
S. Shepherd,	Dec. 3, 1745	April 9, 1750	Drowned
I. White,	Jan. 15, 1749	June 27, 1769	Died, Æ 71
W. Savage,		1774	" " 74
T. Johnson,	Jan. 9, 1766	Dec. 26, 1774	" " 56
J. Kirby,	Nov. 29, 1770	Sept. 12, 1783	" " 64
S. Sage,	Jan. 26, 1775	June 7, 1795	" " 74
T. Gipson,	Jan. 14, 1784	March 23, 1810	Resigned
A. Sage,	Feb. 22, 1790	March 23, 1810	"
J. Hubbard,	Dec. 14, 1807	Aug. 23, 1808	Died, Æ 63
B. Parmelee,	Mar. 23, 1810	April 6, 1822	Resigned.
R. Sage,	July, 1817	Mar. 13, 1826	Died, Æ 49
J. R. Wilcox,	Nov. 11, 1822	Jan. 4, 1839	Resigned
I. Sage,	Oct. 29, 1826,	Sept. 30, 1861	Died, Æ 75
R. Warner,	Jan. 4, 1839	Sept. 1, 1843	Resigned.



## MEMBERS ADDED UNDER JOSEPH SMITH'S PASTORATE.

1715-1736. 21 years.	
By Profession,	53
“ Letter,	21
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Total,	74
Average 3. 5.	

## EDWARD EELLS'S PASTORATE.

1738-1776. 38 years.	
By Profession,	116
“ Renewal,	227
“ Letter,	17
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Total,	360
Average, 9.5 nearly.	

## GERSHOM BULKELEY'S PASTORATE.

1778-1808. 28 years.	
By Profession	69
“ Renewal,	176
“ Letter,	11
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Total,	256
Average, 9.	

## J. L. WILLIAMS'S PASTORATE.

1809-1832. 23 years.	
By Profession,	210
“ Letter,	21
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Total,	231
Average, 10.	

## Z. CROCKER'S PASTORATE.

1833-1847. 14 years.	
By Profession,	95
“ Letter,	49
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Total,	144
Average, 10.	

## THE BAPTIST CHURCH

Luther Savage, a soldier in the War of the Revolution, having removed to Hartford, became a Baptist. Josiah Savage, his brother, also a patriot, had married Mary Roberts, b. Dec. 9, 1763, daughter of Dr. Aaron Roberts and Hepzibah (Johnson) Shepard, widow of Edward Shepard who was son of Lieut. and Deacon Samuel Shepard and Mary Ranney. Dr. Roberts had bought the Mathias Treat house, which had been the home of Edward and Mrs. Shepard. Josiah Savage had bought the easterly part of the Treat homestead including the Jonathan Frary "mansion" of 1760. Mrs. Mary (Roberts) Savage, visiting Luther Savage in Hartford, became imbued with Baptist principles and was immersed there in Park River. She began an active campaign among her friends and neighbors, holding meetings in her own home and elsewhere. It was at a time when there was a revolt against the rigid rules of the "established order," the Congregational Church. As a result a number became members of the Hartford Baptist Church. On January 19, 1802, a meeting was held at the house of Comfort Ranney and his wife, Ruth Treat, at which steps were taken towards the organization of a church. Elder Eber Moffatt of Stephentown, New York, had evidently been laboring here. He and Capt. Timothy Savage, a younger brother of Luther and Josiah, were chosen to write a letter to the Hartford church. It was dated January 29, 1802. As a result the Hartford church gave letters dismissory to Comfort Ranney and wife Ruth Treat; Timothy Savage and wife Sarah Collins; Eleazar Savage, Stephen and John Treat; Sarah Savage, later wife of Col. Josiah Sage and sister of Timothy; Percy Savage, another sister; Mary Roberts Savage; Mary Savage, later wife of Simeon Ranney; Ruth (White) Ranney, wife of Joseph Ranney; and Willard Ranney, brother of Comfort.

Deacon John Bolles, Samuel Beckwith and Luther Savage were delegated to sit in council with the members from Upper Houses on Saturday, Feb. 6, 1802. Elder Moffatt, Elder Nehemiah Dodge of New London, and brother Enoch Green of the Middletown Baptist church were members of the council.

March 30, 1803, at the home of Capt. Timothy Savage, they adopted the "New Hampshire Confession of Faith." A committee applied to the town for a location on which to build a church. The town's committee reported in favor of a location on the West Green, nine rods northwest of the "Brick" schoolhouse. The town meeting gave permission to build two rods further north.

The size of the church is to be seen from the marks indicating the foundation. The corner stone, a rough boulder, is still to be seen there. Elder Moffatt died in 1804, and his grave in the old cemetery is marked with a headstone.

Soon after the organization of the church, William Ranney, brother to the Joseph named above, and wife Olive Hamlin, a descendant of the Rev. Joseph Smith, the first pastor of the Congregational Church, became members. He was a tanner occupying the house built by Rev. Edward Eells for his son, Major Edward Eells. His zeal in the church led to his house being termed "The Minister's Tavern." He was a deacon for many years. His grandson, Rev. Edwin H. Ranney, licensed by this church March 29 1852, delivered an address on his "Early Reminiscences" on July 19, 1905, before the Society of Middletown Upper Houses, and which is to be found in this volume.

Late in his life, 1826, Josiah Savage was received into the church. His son, Jesse, removed to Hartford, became a prominent member of the First Baptist Church, and was very successful in business. His daughter, Mrs. Cornelia Savage Chase, in her lifetime gave \$100,000 to various Baptist enterprises and by her will left \$500 to the Cromwell Baptist Church and \$500 to care for the Savage and Gridley lots in the old cemetery.

In 1833 the old church was brought to the village and located just north of the present bank building. In 1853 the present edifice was erected. The pastors and people of this church have been very courteous to the Society of Middletown Upper Houses in assisting at the various reunions and in voting to give the use of the church for its reunions.

#### THE CEMETERIES

Previous to the laying out of a cemetery in Upper Houses, January, 1713, new style, all burials were in Riverside Cemetery, "South side." The railroad has encroached from time to time upon this old cemetery until the greater half of it lying next to the river has disappeared. In the remaining part are the headstones and footstones of Capt. Nathaniel White and his first wife, and of David Sage.

As Thomas Ranney died in June, 1713, it is presumed that he may have been the first buried in the Upper Houses. The town record says he died June 25. His tombstone says he died June 21, the "1" being reversed. Later the cemetery was enlarged on the north end where marble headstones show the later fashion.

There is a cemetery fund of twelve hundred dollars conveyed to the town in 1885, of which a thousand dollars came from the estate of Miss Mary Ann Latimer. Under the leadership of the Rev. Myron L. Dudley, Mr. Ralph B. Savage, Mr. Elisha T. Sage, and Mr. Bulkeley Edwards, the citizens were aroused to put the cemetery in proper condition, which was done in 1880. Miss Fanny Gridley of Northampton, Mass., contributed \$20 to cover the cost of renewing the inscription on the table stone of her ancestor, the Rev. Joseph Smith, the Church having previously voted to renew the inscription, the leaden insert having been appropriated at some time, probably for the making of bullets, as was done with the leaden one to John<sup>2</sup> Sage and his wife Hannah Starr. The annual town meeting, on Oct. 3, 1881, had solemnly pledged itself to accept any gifts for the cemetery and to use the interest thereof to "protect, clean and beautify" the burying yard. In 1902 an iron fence was erected in place of the picket one erected in 1880. By the will of Mrs. Cornelia Savage Chase the town received \$500, less the State tax, netting \$476, the interest of which is to be used to care for the Savage and Gridley lots. The growth of the northwest section of the town calling for a cemetery, Israel Kelsey sold to the town on January 20, 1802, "for a burying ground" ten rods front and rear and seven rods deep, etc., "reserving to myself and my heirs the grazing of sd piece of land yearly for small stock only such as sheep and calves." The first burial in this lot was of Aaron White, who had served in the French-Indian War and in the War of the Revolution.

#### IN TIME OF WAR

He who "came to bring a sword" knew that human rights must be maintained "by the sword." Hardly had Windsor, Hartford and Wethersfield been settled than the Pequots determined to exterminate the settlers. Under Capt. Mason, in 1637, a force was successfully sent against them. Among those who went from Hartford was William Bloomfield who soon after helped to settle the Upper Houses.

In 1746 a regiment of Connecticut troops was organized to cooperate with other forces to attack Canada. This regiment was to have proceeded against Louisburg but got only as far as New London. The muster roll found in England a few years ago shows that several enlisted in this regiment from the Upper Houses, and from East Middletown settled in 1710 from the Upper Houses.

The French-Indian War, 1755-64, had its scene of action in Northern New York, and the Upper Houses with its limited

population seems to have generously contributed of its men and means. The Connecticut Historical Society has issued two volumes giving a record of those who served in this war. Among these was Amos Savage who lost his powder horn there. A century later an Indian presented that powder horn to a member of the Savage family and it is now the property of Mr. James Francis Savage of Lowell, Mass. The illustration of this horn was done by the daughter of Mr. Savage in her fifteenth year. Amos Savage served also in the War of the Revolution and is buried here. Some others who were in the French-Indian War served also in the Revolutionary War, as will be seen by a comparison of the lists given. East Middletown, across the river from the Upper Houses, was so intimately allied that the names here given include those from that settlement.

Capt. Joseph Savage, Quartermaster Comfort Sage, Capt. Samuel Gaylord and Lieut. Samuel Stow were the chief officers. Capt. Gaylord served six years. The following additional names will be found in the volumes referred to:

William Banks	Stephen Ranney, East Middletown
John Gibson	Stephen Ranney, Upper Houses
John Gibson, Jr.	John Ranney, died Sept. 18, 1760, in his Majestie's Hospital, Oswegatchie
Churchill Edwards	John Ranney, Jr.
John Collins, died Nov. 3, 1762	Nathaniel Ranney
Josiah Savage, corporal.	Hezekiah Ranney
Jonathan, Stow, trumpeter	Jeremiah Ranney, died Oct. 23, 1762
Simeon Stow	Richard Ranney
Giles Stow	Thomas Ranney
Solomon Sage	Timothy Ranney
Samuel Lewis Sage	Willett Ranney
Jonathan Sage	John Robinson
Giles Sage	Aaron Roberts
Gideon Sage	Jared Shepard
Jedediah Sage	Joseph Smith
Amos Savage	Joseph Smith, Jr.
Samuel Stow Savage	John Treat
Nathaniel Savage	Nathaniel Wilcox, died Nov. 17, 1762
Solomon Savage	
Daniel Savage	
Thomas Savage	
Stephen Savage	
Ebenezer Savage	
Lamberton Stocking	

Amos Stocking	John Wilcox
Jonathan Stocking	Joseph White
Zebulon Stocking	Thomas White
Marshall Stocking	Ebenezer White
George Stocking	Moses White
Elijah Stocking	Stephen White
Jabez Ranney	Wm. White
Edward Ranney	Wm. White, Jr.
Samuel Ranney, died in army	Samuel White
Aug, 21, 1758	Waitstill Wilcox
Ozias Ranney	

#### THE WAR OF THE REVOLUTION

The many who had served in the French-Indian War and had survived served as a rallying center when there was prospect of a conflict with the Mother Country. The Great and General Assembly strengthened the militia and many enlisted in it in 1774. In Middletown sixty aged gentlemen organized to "practice the military art."

At "near ten o'clock" A. M. of April 19, 1775, the Massachusetts Committee of Safety started Israel Bessel to Connecticut with the news that a battle had been commenced. The news reached Hartford and Middletown on the 20th, and on the 21st a company of militia under Capt. Return Jonathan Meigs and a troop of horse under Capt. Comfort Sage started, being ferried over the river at Hartford, and were gone eight days on what is known as the expedition "for the relief of Boston." No rolls were preserved, but of Capt. Comfort Sage's company the names of Lieut. Charles Bulkeley who later married a Ranney, Quartermaster Eli Butler, and Corporal Edward Eells are given.

On April 20, Governor Trumbull summoned the General Assembly to convene on April 26. This session, lasting ten days, authorized the enlistment of six regiments, with officers' commissions to date from May 1. The Second Regiment was raised in Middletown and vicinity. Part of them were in the Battle of Bunker Hill. In September part were detailed in the attempt to capture Quebec. This battle on Dec. 31 was a disastrous failure. Many were captured, including Lieut. Abijah Savage who was held a prisoner for 14 months. On his release he raised a company and served three years.

Late in 1775 the army was reorganized as the "Continental Army" and this constituted the "regulars" of the war. Early in 1776 many militia regiments were raised for 7 months' service,



COLONEL RETURN JONATHAN MEIGS  
(See page 56)



GENERAL ISRAEL PUTNAM



and just after the disastrous battle of Long Island on Aug. 27, 1776, many more troops were rushed to the front. And so the long war went on.

The census of the colony by school districts was taken on the first Monday in September, 1776. Middletown, after losing in 1767 all its territory east of the river to form the town of Chat-ham, remained larger in population than either Hartford or New Haven. The census of Middletown as a whole, and that part of it constituting the Upper Houses, showed the following:

	U. HO.	MIDDLETOWN
Males under ten.....	129	736
Females under ten.....	113	736
Males between ten and twenty, married.....	0	0
Males between ten and twenty, single.....	87	576
Females between ten and twenty, married.....	0	11
Females between ten and twenty, single.....	75	600
Males between twenty and seventy, married....	106	679
Males between twenty and seventy, single....	32	268
Females between twenty and seventy, married..	106	706
Females between twenty and seventy, single..	58	390
Males above seventy, married.....	6	38
Males above seventy, single.....	3	7
Females above seventy, married.....	6	23
Females above seventy, single.....	12	39
Negro males under twenty.....	2	47
Negro females under twenty.....	7	49
Negro males above twenty.....	5	62
Negro females above twenty.....	7	43
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Total .....	754	5037
Officers and soldiers in Militia rolls.....	69	588
Able bodied men between 16 and 45, not in Militia rolls.....	30	104
Men in Continental Army.....	28	202
Men raised for defense of the Colony and now in the Colony.....	1	5

It is not the province here to give even a local history of the contest, save to say that many volunteered to care for the families of officers. William White, who had served in the French-Indian war, cared for four families of officers. The smallpox in the days of the war was a dreadful and a dreaded disease. The town voted that any who wished could be inoculated. The following was addressed "To the Civil Authority and Selectmen of Middletown," and the autograph of the petitioner is copied from the original document which is endorsed, "N. Chauncey's motion negatived."

“Middletown upper houses, Feb<sup>y</sup> 4<sup>th</sup> 1778

Gent<sup>n</sup>.

I am desired to inform you that M<sup>r</sup> William Sage and all those who have lately been Inoculated at his House are extremely desirous that they may be allow'd to go through with the whole operation without removing from that place not only on acct of y<sup>e</sup> Difficulty, Danger and Expens such a movement; but also and principally on acct of y<sup>e</sup> peculiar Situation of that place for such a Purpose; it being so Distant from Neighbours, and public Roads and there being a large Joyner's shop well finished and Warm with a good fire place in it about (1) Rods from y<sup>e</sup> Dwelling House, excellently calculated for y<sup>e</sup> Purpose of cleaning up in. I must beg leave Gent<sup>n</sup> to give it as my Opinion that the place is indeed very convenient and y<sup>e</sup> foregoing plan much prefferable to any that has yet been thought of to avoid y<sup>e</sup> Danger of spreading the Infection I am Gent<sup>n</sup> y<sup>r</sup> most obed<sup>t</sup>

*N. Chauncey*

In 1889 the State published a “Record of Connecticut Men in the Military and Naval Service during the War of the Revolution, 1775—1783.” So many rolls have been discovered since then that the Connecticut Historical Society has published one volume and has material for another volume. The church records say, “Heard of the death of ——” on such a date. Town records give such as this: “Daniel Wilcox died in ye camp at Roxbury, April 10, 1776.” In 1876 a committee of the town, consisting of David Edwards, who was 25 years of age when his patriot father died; Ralph B. Savage, grandson of patriot Nathaniel Savage, and Elisha T. Sage, grandson of patriot Elisha Sage, all aged men, reported a list of those known to have served in the war. This book contains the portrait of Daniel Eells, who was a prisoner in Bermuda, yet no known roll contains his name. The Colonial records give the names of those commissioned. The printed records end with 1780. The manuscript records of 1781-82 show that Josiah Savage was commissioned captain in the 23d Regiment, which was composed of Middletown and Chatham men and give a number of others commissioned. From these various sources, with the records of Massachusetts and Vermont, the compiler has made out the list, given here, of those who served in the war, having been born here or, having removed away after the war, are buried

here. There has been an effort to omit the names of any not coming under one of these heads.

## OFFICERS

Colonel Comfort Sage.	Surgeon Stephen Ranney.
Brev. Major Edward Eells.*	Captain Eli Butler.
Captain Solomon Sage.*	Captain Nathaniel Gilbert.
Captain Josiah Savage.*	Captain Abijah Savage.*
Captain Jared Shepard.	Captain Hugh White.
Captain Jairus Wilcox.	Captain Samuel Eells.
Captain Ephraim Ranney.	Captain Nathan Sage.
Captain Abner Smith.*	Lieutenant Jacob White.*
Lieutenant Jeremiah Hubbard.*	Lieutenant Elisha Savage.
Lieutenant Jedediah Sage.	Lieutenant Samuel Smith, died
Lieutenant Ephraim Ranney.	in prison July 2, 1782.
John S. Chauncey, killed Dec. 14,	Daniel Eells.
1777, after surrendering.	John Eells.
Francis Clark.	John Hands.*
Benj. Butler.	Seth Kirby.
Oliver Clark.	John Kirby.
John Hamlin.*	Elijah Kirby, prisoner, died
David Edwards.*	July 7, 1782.
Churchill Edwards.*	Samuel Gaylord.
Nathan Edwards, died in pris-	Jonathan Gaylord.
on, July 22, 1782.	Comfort Ranney.
John Gibson.	Nathaniel Ranney.*
Jacob Gibson.	William Ranney.
Hosea Miller.*	Thomas Ranney, Corporal.
Daniel Pardee.*	Daniel Ranney.
Justus Riley.	Amos Ranney.
Joseph Riley.	Ebenezer Ranney.*
Nathaniel Riley.	Willett Ranney.
Aaron Roberts.	Joseph Ranney, prisoner, died,
John Robinson, killed at Nor-	July 22, 1780.
walk, July 11, 1779.	Simeon Ranney.*
Evan Thomas.*	Solomon Sage, Jr.*
Amos Treat.	Simeon Sage.
Stephen Treat.	Giles Sage, Corporal.*
John Treat.	Abraham Sage.
John Smith, prisoner, died Feb.	Willett Ranny Sage, died of
20, 1780.	smallpox in army.

\* Buried here.

James Smith.*	John Smith.*
Joseph Smith.*	Epaphras Sage.*
Stephen Savage.	Elisha Sage.*
Josiah Savage, Jr.*	Stephen Sage.
Luther Savage.	William Sage, Ensign.*
Levi Savage.	Daniel Sage.
Jacob Savage, Sergeant.	Benj. Sage.
Seth Savage.	Abner Sage.
Gideon Savage.	Gideon Sage.
Simeon Savage.	Miles Sage.
Nathan Savage.	Elisha Stocking.*
Elisha Savage.	John Stocking.
Nathaniel Savage.*	William Stocking.*
Samuel Savage.*	Joseph Shepard.
Amos Savage, Ensign.*	Samuel Stow, killed on ship,
Joseph Savage, Ensign.	Apr. 12, 1780.
Solomon Savage.	William Stow, died Oct. 2, 1782.
Selah Savage.	Jonathan Stow.*
Thomas Savage.	Samuel White.
Hiel Savage.	Daniel White.
Francis W. Savage.	Daniel Clark White.
Samuel Stow Savage.	Aaron White, Corporal.
Joel Savage.	Reuben White, died Jan. 2,
Daniel Savage.*	1780.
Hugh White, Jr., Ensign.	Asa Wilcox, heard of his death
Justus Wilcox.	at West Point, Sept. 30, 1781.
Amos Wilcox.*	Lemuel Wilcox.
Daniel Wilcox, died in ye camp	Eliphalet Wilcox.*
at Roxbury, Apr. 10, 1776.	Elisha Wilcox, Ensign.
Reuben Wilcox.	

After the war the great majority of these patriots went to Massachusetts, Vermont, New York or Ohio to found new settlements and are there buried.

#### WASHINGTON PASSES THROUGH THE UPPER HOUSES

From the diary of General George Washington, in the possession of the James F. Joy Estate of Detroit, the following extracts were made for use in this volume. As he passed through the streets of 1650 and on to Hartford, he passed the house in which Gideon Savage was born and then lived, and in so doing may have

\* Buried here.



SOME CROMWELL HOUSES

Capt. Jared Shepard  
Joseph Stocking

Isaac Gridley

House near Chestnut Brook. The old  
was the ancient school house (See  
page 42)  
Capt. Daniel Ranney



FULLER'S TAVERN IN BERLIN SUBSET, WHERE WASHINGTON BREAKFASTED  
IN 1780  
Later the Amos Kirby Tavern (See page 61)

shaken hands with the "artificer," whose diary, printed herein, confirms the family tradition that he built the log cabin in which "Lady Washington" took her meals at Valley Forge.

"Monday, October 19th, 1789.—About 10 o'clock, we left this place, and at the distance of eight miles passed through Durham. At 1, we arrived at Middletown on Connecticut river, being met two or three miles from it by the respectable citizens of the place, and escorted in by them. While dinner was getting ready, I took a walk around the town, from the heights of which the prospect is beautiful. Belonging to this place, I was informed (by a General Sage) that there were about 20 sea vessels, and to Wethersfield, higher up, 22, and to Hartford the like number; other places on the river have their proportion, the whole amounting to about 10,000 tons. The country hereabouts is beautiful, and the lands good. An average crop of wheat from an acre of fallowed land is estimated at 15 bushels; sometimes they get as high as 25 and 30 bushels to the acre from the best lands. Indian corn from 20 to 40 bushels per acre. Their exports are the same as from other places, together with potash. Having dined we set out with the same escort (who conducted us into town) about 3 o'clock for Hartford, and passing through a parish of Middletown and Weathersfield, we arrived at Hartford about sundown. . . .

"Hartford is more compactly built than Middletown, and contains more souls; the computed number of which amount to about double. The number of houses in Middletown is said to be 250 or 260, these reckoning eight persons to a house would raise two thousand at least. The depth of water which vessels can bring to the last place is about ten feet; and is as much as there is over Saybrook bar. From Middletown to Hartford there is not more than 6 feet of water. At Middeltown there is one Episcopal and two Congregational churches."

On his return he passed through Berlin, formerly the northwest quarter of the Upper Houses. Fuller's Tavern in after years was kept by Amos Kirby, and is seen in this volume.

"Left Hartford about seven o'clock and took the middle road (instead of the one through Middletown which I went) breakfasted at Worthington, in the township of Berlin, at the house of one Fuller, bated at Smith's on the plain of Wallingford, thirteen from Fuller's, which is the distance Fuller's is from Hartford, and got into New Haven, which is thirteen miles more, about half an hour before sundown. At this place I met Mr. Geary in the stage

from New York, and he gave me the first certain account of the health of Mrs. Washington.”

WAR OF 1812.

Captain Isaac Webber, a shipbuilder here, raised a company and proceeded to Saybrook at the mouth of the river. In his company were Harvey and Martin Ranney, both of whom died young and are buried here.



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REUNION GROUP AT GRAVE OF THOMAS RANNEY, 1903



GROUP AT REUNION OF 1904

## **THE SOCIETY OF MIDDLETOWN UPPER HOUSES**

For some years the compiler of this volume had been gathering material concerning the early families of this place, and with special reference to the Ranney family. When it had been decided by the town to erect a fine town school edifice to supplant the district system he suggested that the school should be named after Captain Nathaniel White, who, by his will of 1711, had given one-fourth of his share of the as yet undivided common lands for schools. This was done by a unanimous vote passed at a special town meeting held on Jan. 6, 1902, the day on which the school edifice was first used. A plan to have a reunion of descendants of the old families in the month of June was broached, but the compiler decided to defer it for a year. In 1903, a reunion was held on Bunker Hill Day, June 17, and a boulder was dedicated to the memory of the patriots of the War of the Revolution who were born here, but found a grave elsewhere, some on the battle field, some from the hospitals, others from the prison ships, and the greater number in the newer settlements they had made in other states. Bronze markers had been donated by the Connecticut Society of the Sons of the American Revolution. A number of members of Mansfield Post, No. 53, G. A. R., of Middletown, honored us with their presence and sympathy. A Ranney Association was formed with R. B. Ranney of New Castle, Pa., as President, S. O. Ranney of Windsor Locks, and Charles K. Ranney of Hartford as Vice Presidents, and C. Collard Adams as Secretary-Treasurer. Among those present was the Rev. Edward Eells, descended from Major Edward Eells, who had served from the 21st of April, 1775, to the close of the war, and who, with his father, Rev. Edward Eells, the second pastor of the church, are buried here.

On Bunker Hill Day, 1904, a much larger gathering was held, with an exhibit of relics brought from far and near, a pilgrimage through the original streets, and a sumptuous repast provided by sympathetic villagers. A procession was formed, headed by the drum corps of Mansfield Post, G. A. R., with nearly one hundred members of the Post and of the W. R. C., together with a hundred children, each carrying a flag, followed by the descendants. The march was to the cemetery, where recitations were

delivered by Miss Anna Pease and Master John Neal. Thirty girls and boys placed silk flags at the graves of that many patriots, some of whom had fought at Bunker Hill. The mortar and shells were unveiled by the Misses Florence Taylor and Julia Mosher, descendants of patriots. The graves of the first five pastors of the Congregational Church and of the first pastor of the Baptist Church had been previously marked with flags. Exercises were then held in the Baptist Church.

The Hon. Walter C. Faxon, Governor of the Connecticut Society of Founders and Patriots, read a letter of congratulation from Admiral Dewey, Governor General of the Order of Founders and Patriots of America, which was as follows:

NAVY DEPARTMENT

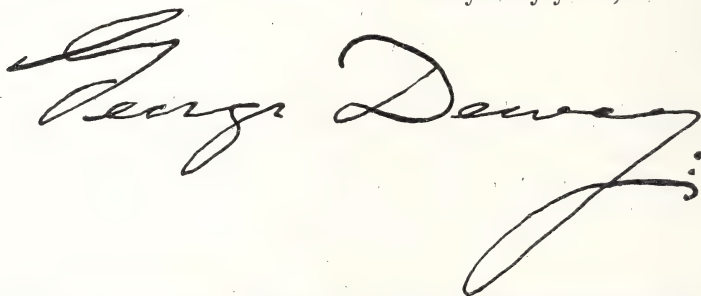
OFFICE OF  
THE ADMIRAL OF THE NAVY  
MILLS BUILDING

WASHINGTON, June 4, 1904.

DEAR SIR:

It gives me great pleasure, as Governor General of the Order of Founders and Patriots of America, to extend hearty greetings to the Ranney Memorial and Historical Association, which is to have a celebration in honor of the Founders, Fathers and Patriots of Middletown Upper Houses. I believe that historical and patriotic societies such as these are doing a great work, and one that future generations cannot fail to appreciate.

Very truly yours,



He then delivered an address on the functions of the Society, of which he was the Connecticut presiding officer.

The Rev. D. B. Hubbard, pastor of the Westfield Congregational Church, the Rev. Edward Eells, the Rev. James Eells, both descendants of the second pastor, the Hon. James H. Macdonald,





CHILDREN AT PATRIOTS BOULDER, REUNION OF 1904



MANFIELD POST, G. A. R., AT REUNION OF 1904

State Highway Commissioner, the Rev. C. H. Hands, pastor of the Baptist Church, and Miss Clara C. Fuller, descendant of Aaron White, patriot, delivered addresses. Miss Fuller spoke as follows on

#### THE DAUGHTERS OF THE AMERICAN REVOLUTION

Mr. President, Members of the Association of Founders and Patriots, Citizens of Middletown Upper Houses. We are not in Cromwell to-day. Involuntarily I go back many, many years, when as a little child I sat by my grandfather's side and listened to the stories of the good old times. I think it must have been then that the love of ancestry, the seeds of patriotism, were implanted in my heart. All those early associations clustered around Lanesboro, Pittsfield, Bolton, but above all and beyond all—Middletown Upper Houses.

I am here to-day—so I am scheduled to speak for the Daughters of the American Revolution—but now that I am on the spot of my childhood's dreams I cannot easily get away from those early days when the Whites and the Savages lived in the most harmonious relation, from those sturdy men and women—New England born and bred—who moved once and then staid where they stopped. They were not a migratory race. They made—what to-day is the stronghold of America—they made homes. My uncle, Charles Merrow White, now in his 87th year, lives in the same house where his father and mother began their young lives together ninety years ago. My mother, in her 81st year, lives on the spot where Samuel White and his family settled when they first came to Central New York. Near by lived and died only a few years since, in her 104th year, Nancy White Guiteau. There is not money enough in America to buy these homes. I wish we possessed one more—Aaron White's old hotel, and then we should cling to that, too.

Is it foolish, is it sentimental, is it un-American to climb our family tree, to feel a very pardonable pride as we perch ourselves up in the branches, picking the fruit of past generations, enjoying the fragrance of the "old-fashioned roses," never minding if occasionally we do run up against a thorn? Love of ancestry is akin to love of country, and love of country is next to love of God. And have we not God's sanction when in the Great Book is traced with reverent simplicity the earthly genealogy of the Master? Is it too much to claim that an honored ancestry shall result in a clean posterity? Who wants to be the first one to sully a proud name? Let us go on founding our patriotic societies, our Founder's Associations. Let us cherish our Old Home Weeks,

our Commemorative Days, and we shall grow the nobler and the sweeter for it. Money will count for less and character for more.

This, Mr. President, is what our great society of 40,000 women—the Daughters of the American Revolution—stands for.

There are just three points I want to make.

1. We are democratic. We stand for the masses—the rank and file—the bone and sinew of the country—the working forces. No idea can be more erroneous than the notion that the Daughters of the American Revolution is an exclusive and aristocratic body. If we have an aristocracy, it is that of courage, of high ideals founded on the Battle of Bunker Hill and the sufferings of Valley Forge. We are working, indeed, to establish caste. but a caste in which the brotherhood of man takes rank. There is a great danger confronting America. Enormous fortunes are being amassed by the few; great corporations are wielding a tremendous power; a social caste—not of brains nor of breeding—but of money is being formed. As a balance-wheel, as a leveler, comes this great society of 40,000 women from every State in the Union, and representing all grades of society, the only requisite being a reputable life and two or three generations of American blood. A chapter is formed in a town, and women begin to discover each other; talents are revealed that were never suspected, barren lives are enriched, and the whole community is leavened. The town may be divided by its politics, by its churches, but this one thing is open to all.

2. We stand for civic education and for local improvement. Our chapters are presenting flags to the public schools, are offering prizes for the best prepared work on American History, and are studying and practicing parliamentary law. As we feel the necessity for *being* what we are trying to *encourage*, we are taking up courses of historical study, making historical pilgrimages, and reclaiming from oblivion places of almost sacred interest. Believing that the best American is the intelligent American, we are encouraging historical research, recording family traditions, marking the graves of Revolutionary heroes, supplying our soldiers and sailors with literature, reaching out to our new possessions, and assisting in making into Americans the great horde that pours into our harbors from every land under the sun. What a cause for regret that all this awakening and organizing had not come half a century—even quarter of a century earlier! What a wealth of unwritten history lies buried forever in our cemeteries! How we now long to know the things that could have been had for the asking a few years ago!

You happy people of New England have reached one vantage ground at least from which you can look down upon the rest of us with a great deal of satisfaction, an uncommon amount of civic pride. Your villages are the most beautifully kept in America. Horatio Seymour once said, "I consider it as great an honor to be path master in Deerfield, as to be Governor of the State of New York." Emulating the spirit of this great man, the Daughters of the American Revolution are taking up the work of village improvement and we hope in time to approach your point of perfection.

3. We stand for a pure and enlightened patriotism. It would be impossible among so many women to eliminate all selfish ambition, but the great mass are moved by the highest impulses and the one great desire to make America the better for their existence. Ours is the first and the largest body of women ever organized for patriotic purposes. It would never have been called into existence except that it had a mission to perform. I believe that God wants us, and so we are here. We are here not only to reclaim and honor the past, but also to form and ennoble the future. Our greatest opportunity, and therefore our greatest responsibility, lies with the children of the public schools. The boys of to-day are the men of to-morrow. From all nations they are coming to us for life and for light. They are coming faster than we are ready for them. If we do not form their public sentiment, they will form ours.

And so—Mr. President and members of the Society of Founders and Patriots of Middletown Upper Houses—we are all working together for the betterment of the race.

Let us gather reverently around the hearthstones and graves of those heroic men and women who gave birth to our nation, that our souls may be aroused to greater effort. Let us be reminiscent, but let us also be dynamic. Let us prove our inheritance, not only in name, but also in the possession of a sturdy, uncompromising courage that shall fight the battles of peace and win the victories as valiantly as did the heroes of '76, that shall solve the problems of living as wisely as did those pioneers who went out from Middletown Upper Houses a century ago.

CLARA CORNELIA FULLER,

Great-great-granddaughter of Aaron White, patriot.

During the exercises at the church several hundred children were feasted, and at 5 P. M. the members of Mansfield Post, G. A. R., and the W. R. Corps were entertained at luncheon.

## REUNION OF THE SOCIETY

June 19, 1905

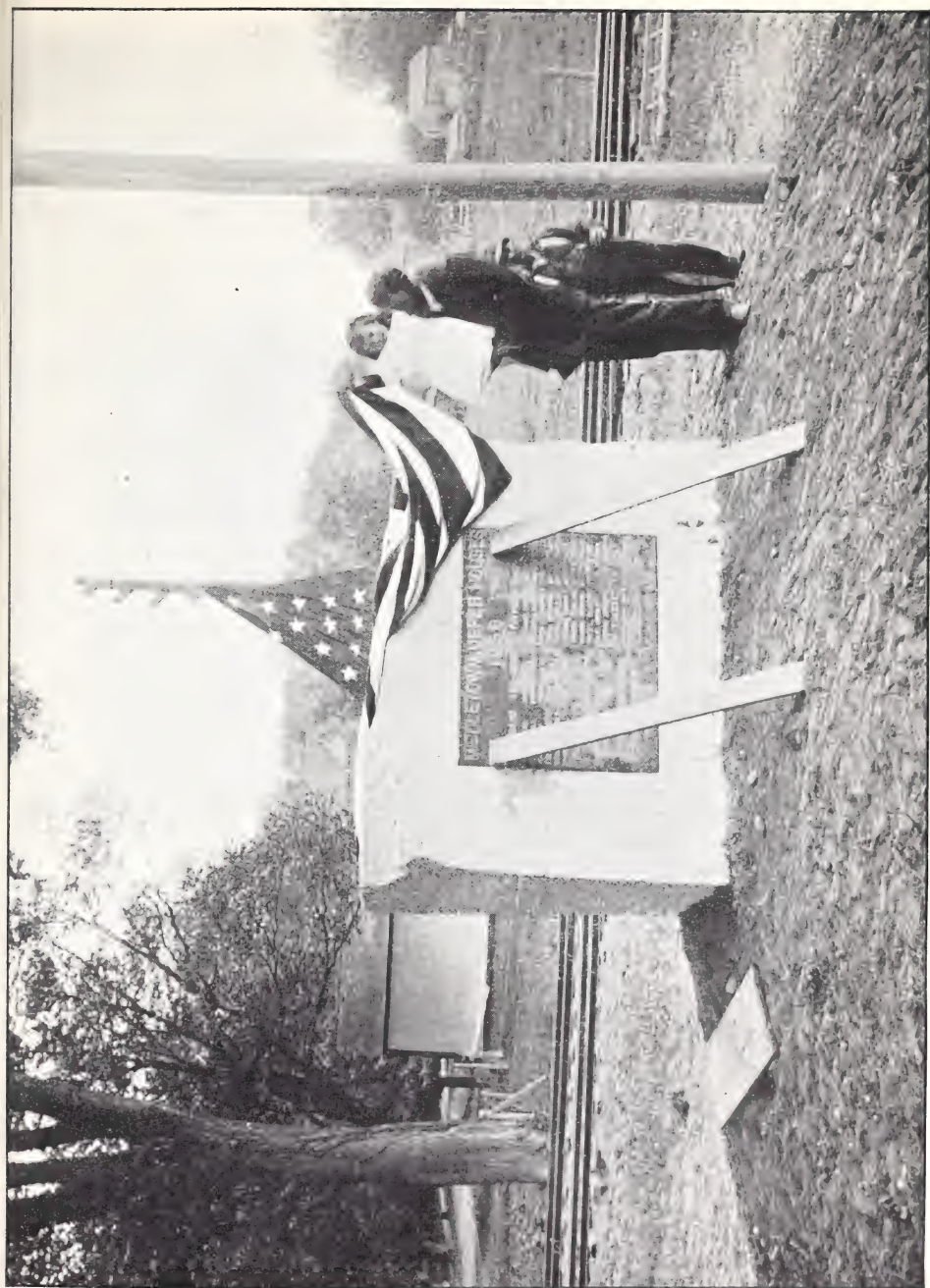
The enthusiasm of all present was such that there was a general call for another reunion, and this was held on July 19, 1905, the thermometer being at 94°. A procession of several four-horse omnibuses, with hacks, automobiles, and other conveyances, made a pilgrimage, not only through the original streets, but up Main Street where the sons of the founders had built their habitations, out "New Lane," opened in 1788, past the houses built by William Sage and Elisha Sage, patriots, in sight of the Nathaniel White Public School, and to the house of Thomas Stow and his wife, Martha White, built 1713-1720, where a halt was made and the house inspected. There was then a procession to the old cemetery, where an hour was spent in inspecting the headstones. A business meeting was then held in Temple of Honor Hall, where the Society of Middletown Upper Houses was duly incorporated and all previous contributors were admitted to membership. A dinner was then served in Briggs Hall. After dinner the granite and bronze memorial to Founders, Fathers, and Patriots was dedicated, prayer being offered by the Rev. Edward Eells, the address of dedication being delivered by the newly elected President, and the memorial unveiled by little Miss Evangeline Eells. The flag was then raised to the top of the flagstaff.

### ADDRESS OF DEDICATION

The Hon. Frank Langdon Wilcox

This earth is a wonderful footstool—beautiful by nature, and peculiarly adapted to the uses of man. And man has used this round world as a free gift for the performance of his part in life's history. Day by day, and night by night, and year by year deeds are enacted of love, sacrifice, heroism, patriotism, and from religious convictions, so that the surface of all lands has been dotted with memorials to commemorate the events. Beautiful buildings, towering monuments, enduring granite, bronze tablets, and simple markers are the usual tokens that record these worthy deeds—they perpetuate memories, and incite all beholders to emulation.

We are met here to-day to accept and dedicate this granite boulder with its bronze tablet, erected to commemorate the lives



# MIDDLETOWN UPPER HOUSES 1650

## FOUNDERS 1650-1680

JOHN CLARK	JOHN SAVAGE
SAMUEL HALL	SAMUEL STOCKING
JOHN KIRBY	THOMAS STOW
ANTHONY MARTIN	JOHN WARNER
THOMAS RANNEY	NATHANIEL WHITE
DAVID SAGE	JOHN WILCOX

## PASTORS OF THE NORTH SOCIETY

JOSEPH SMITH 1714-1736	EDWARD EELLS 1733-1776
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FIRST BAPTIST PASTOR  
EBER MOFFATT  
1802-1804

## FATHERS 1680-1780

BENJAMIN BUTLER	WILLIAM KEITH
GERSHOM BUTLER	SRAEL KELSEY
NATH'L CHAUNCEY	THOMAS MILLER
DAVID EDWARDS	NATH'L RILEY
NATH'L EELLS	EDWARD SHEPARD
SAMUEL FRARY	ABNER SMITH
SAMUEL CAYLEORD	SAMUEL SPENCER
SAMUEL GIBSON	ELISHA TREAT
NATH'L GILBERT	STEPHEN TREAT
ISAAC CRIDLEY	JOHN WARNER
THOMAS JOHNSON	JEHIEL WILLIAMS

ERECTED BY THE  
SOCIETY OF MIDDLETOWN  
UPPER HOUSES

1905

BRONZE TABLET ON MEMORIAL BOULDER



of the Fathers, Patriots, and Pastors of Middletown Upper Houses. With reverence and love we here commit our testimonial to the sight of all passers-by in this most public spot at the meeting of the ways. Northward is the original highway blazed through the wilderness and traversed by our forefathers. Eastward is "Pleasant Street," laid out by that first generation as the principal street of Cromwell; and the main line of travel between Hartford and Middletown, while hard by pass the trains of the Valley Division of The New York, New Haven & Hartford R. R. There could be no more fitting place to connect the silent past with the busy present.

The sun may shine, the rains may fall, and the storms beat upon this rock, and generations of men may come and go, but this monument will always remain here, symbolic of the sturdy, enduring character of these early settlers, whom we claim as a distinguished honor for our ancestors.

Exercises were then held in the Baptist Church, prayer being offered by the Rev. D. B. Hubbard. The Rev. William S. Middlemass, pastor of the Baptist Church, extended a welcome to the Society, when the President, the Hon. Frank Langdon Wilcox, delivered the following address:

#### THE PRESIDENT'S ADDRESS

Kinsmen and Friends: Words of welcome have been extended to us by this town, which has changed its name from that given by our forbears of "Middletown Upper Houses." Greetings have been exchanged with those we have known and loved so long. Relationships have been discovered with near neighbors, or with those living in far distant environments who have returned here to-day to link the present with the past in honoring memories. The experience is a pleasant one, for, though "all the world is akin," blood relationship awakens a heart-throb of responsiveness that is as precious as it is delightful.

Our purpose here is sacred, patriotic, and altogether worthy. We came to honor the founders of our several family houses; to gather inspiration from their simple lives that may guide us in the more complex existence of the present day; to pay our tribute of respect to the town they established in the savage, inhospitable, but beautiful New England wilderness; to renew and make the acquaintance of those whose friendship tried and adopted we can confidently "grapple to our hearts with hooks of steel"; for, children of a common ancestry, we have that sturdy parentage whose

lives were lived for God and Country, and we are told that their virtues do last to the third or fourth generation.

To-day our eyes have looked out upon the shining river whose waters flowing from the Canadian border and the White Mountains pass through the heart of this New England country with its wealth of history and busy industry, to lose itself in the restless and endless sea. It reminds us of the quiet, beneficent influence of the goodly lives of our virtuous fathers and mothers flowing through generations of posterity. We have viewed the homes in which they lived, loved, labored and bore their children, and whence they were carried to their last resting place in God's Acre. To this "Old Burying Ground" we have also made a pilgrimage. Our Forefathers, we salute you! We thank you for the lives you lived, the towns you founded, the country you made, and for the precious heritage you left us in fee simple that cannot be destroyed or taken away.

Once the trees of the forest primeval decked these hills and valleys with a beautiful mantle of green and yielded a gentle sheltering shade, the birds of the air builded their nests therein, and the beasts of the forest roamed beneath. Under the ax of the pioneer and following the plow of the husbandman, the forests gave way to the home and the welcome cry of little children. The wilderness was made to blossom like the rose, and the song of increase went up throughout the land. The darksome, impenetrable forests with their fearsome denizens have disappeared, but our forefathers planted a better growth. Family trees were planted, and took root in the rich soil of religious and civic liberty. They flourished, stretching out lusty branches, bearing fruit of boys and girls, men and women that were world-builders. Shoots, scions, and graftings were transplanted in many a varying soil. The parent stock was so sturdy that they flourished and grew mighty in the land. I know of none of stunted or malignant growth, and dare not single out those of such magnificent proportions that they stand up like sentinels among the family trees of this great nation. Our efficient Secretary should be given an opportunity to tell the story, for his mind is stored with an exhaustless supply of facts and fancy, fables and figures which he holds in reserve, but ready for discharge like the shot of a rapid-fire gun. In fact, in this campaign of love and loyalty, he is the "man behind the gun" in that he has furnished all the push and enterprise, happily seasoned with a love of labor.

I take this opportunity to express this well-deserved appreciation. I bespeak for him from this time forth, from all my hearers, their hearty support and sympathy in his efforts to produce a full

and accurate history of the families that are entitled to belong to "The Society of Middletown Upper Houses." We are not the only ones who would enjoy and appreciate a complete work of this nature, for our children and our children's children will read, study, and take pride in the lines of ancestry which started from the ground we have traversed to-day.

Wonderful is the power of man when electrically charged with character founded on religion, industry, and love of family and country. In 1620 there was given to the world a marvelous proposition. Given a continent peopled by bloodthirsty savages, and a few shiploads of religious refugees, what would be the result? A little less than three hundred years has shown the savage confined in a few reservations in the far West; the forests replaced by prosperous farms and homes, the vantage spots occupied by countless cities constantly increasing in population, wealth, intelligence and happiness. Throughout the land goes up the deep underlying murmur of myriad manufacturing corporations; across the surface of the land and in the bowels of the earth flash electric cars and steam trains, like shuttles in the woof and warp of the vast fabric of life, carrying more people and freight than were dreamed of by the Pilgrim Fathers. The rivers and seas of the world have been dotted by the sails and flag of a new country that has become a first power in the council of nations. Everywhere are churches, schools, and colleges, and vast humane institutions founded out of love for fellow-men. The most productive country of the world in men and women, products of the soil, of the brain of the shop, and of the mind. A free country loved by its citizens, sought by emigrants from all lands, discovered for the freedom of the nations. A veritable land of the free and home of the brave. A country that three hundred years ago could be bought for some strings of wampum now has in the United States alone an estimated national wealth of \$100,000,000,000. In 1620 peopled only by the American Indians, it now has a population of white men of about 88,000,000. Then giving nothing to the world, now the world's chief benefactor in too many ways to mention upon an occasion like this. Who started and laid the foundations of such a record and such a country? God gave the country, wild and free, but man developed it and wrought these mighty achievements. What men? Why, our forefathers right here in Middletown Upper Houses were the founders and patriots who bore their willing and mighty part. The builders of the Pyramids, the Colossus of Rhodes, the Chinese Wall, and the other wonders of the world were but pigmy laborers compared with these architects of a Nation. Are we not justified in lauding their lives and honoring their

memories in public gatherings like this? Nay, would we not be ingrates and degenerates if we did not proclaim their deeds, and call upon our fathers to keep us steadfast in the path they have blazed so broad and deep.

The world has just seen the little Brown Man in the Flowery Kingdom beyond the Yellow Sea, through the worship of his ancestors, humble the mighty Bear that frightened all Europe with his roar. We do not sound any call to worship, but I do believe that we can respect, love, and honor our fathers and mothers that our days may be long in the land which the Lord our God gave us.

“Born into life! . . . man grows  
 Forth from his parents' stem,  
 Blends their bloods, as these  
 Of theirs are blent in them;  
 So each new man strikes root into a far foretime.”  
 —Empedocles on Etna.

The Hon. Henry B. Brown delivered an oration on “The Significance of This Memorial Service,” when, after referring to his college days of 1855-59 with Mr. Adams, he spoke as follows:

#### ORATION OF THE HON. HENRY BASCOM BROWN

This occasion, as I apprehend it, is for the dedication of a noble and fitting memorial to the Founders, Fathers, Pastors, and Patriots of Middletown Upper Houses, as this portion of the town of Middletown was called from the year 1680 to a late date in the last century. And so our topic naturally takes form as “The Significance of This Memorial Service.” A glacial boulder, duly and appropriately marked by an inscription upon a bronze tablet, is placed as an enduring and fitting memorial to the honored ancestors of the members of this Society, to remain as long as time shall last, in sunshine or in storm, through summer's heat and winter's cold, the mute but eloquent and impressive testimonial of the appreciation of this later generation of the sacrifices, the virtues, the patriotism, and the piety, by which those venerated men built themselves, as lasting and effective factors, into the very life of the community, the church, the State, the nation.

The erection of monumental memorials for the perpetuation of the memories and achievements of nations is a fact as old as the oldest records of human history. We pause to make only the briefest mention of the first recorded illustration of this fact in human history—the story told in Holy Writ, of that wonderful tide of human

life, that "journeyed from the East," till they "found a plain in the land of Shinar," where they proposed "to build a city and a tower, whose top should reach unto heaven," by which, they said, "let us make us a name"; wherefore, says the sacred writer, "the name of it is called Babel" (Gen. xi. 1-10).

Next, we may consider the erection of the vast pile of the Egyptian Pyramids, and the rough sculpture of the inexplicable Sphinx, "a figure sixty-five feet high, cut from the solid rock," and probably older than the great pyramid itself, which stand surrounded by the other innumerable stone monuments of that most ancient of ancient kingdoms. The stupendous pyramid of Ghizeh is incomparably the most remarkable monument built by man. It has witnessed the rise, the culmination, the decay of empires whose sway was almost world-wide; it was a patriarch when the human race was yet young, and before literature was born; its builder is still the riddle of history; it was gray with the wear and tear of centuries when Moses wrote the Pentateuch; it was as ancient to Moses, as the Norman conquest is to us to-day; it was built to defy the wrath of storms, the wear of ages, and the hunger of fire. It cost an untold outlay of life, and blood, and treasure to build it; it would be the financial ruin of the richest nation to destroy it. And yet, the man whose name and honor it was erected to commemorate is as unknown to-day as the humblest slave who contributed his labor and life to build it!

It stands the incomparable monument of a dead civilization, and it looks complacently down on a land whose dynasties, history, and traditions are lost in the abyss of the vanished centuries!

As the Old World had its great national memorials in the pyramids and lesser monuments we have mentioned, so the New World had its great memorials in the vast mounds left by the strange, nameless, and unknown mound-builders, and the wonderful buildings and stone monuments of Central and South America, whose builders have plunged into the gulf of oblivion and left not a line of historical record behind them to tell that they ever existed, or for what purposes their magnificent structures were designed and used.

Time forbids that we should speak further on this occasion of these two great examples of national memorials, the names of whose builders are lost to the record of history.

We turn again to sacred history for illustration of the tendency of mankind to commemorate names and occasions by the setting up of stones for enduring memorials. In the twenty-eighth chapter of Genesis is recorded the strange vision of Jacob at Bethel; and the record is, that "Jacob rose up early in the morning and

took the stone that he had put for his pillow and set it up for a pillar" (Gen. xxviii. 18).

So, all along down the centuries, men have set up stones as memorials of great historical events, or in honor of those who have contributed to the good of their fellow-men, the development of moral and religious character, the promotion of those great movements that have worked for the grandeur of the State, the progress of civilization and the arts, and the advancement of the race in every department of human activity. Who of us, having once looked upon the majestic statue to the memory of The Forefathers, at Plymouth, Mass., can ever forget it? What an incentive the very sight of it is, to awaken in the heart of the spectator those sentiments that make for the encouragement of virtue, honor, and great endeavor.

To-day, as an outcome of the contribution of life and treasure in the Civil War, the living patriots all over our land have commemorated the heroic deeds of their dead comrades by erecting handsome statues, or other appropriate monumental memorials of indestructible stone or bronze, to tell to future generations the story of the great sacrifices made for the country's life, honor, and perpetuity. If I may adapt the poetic sentiment of another (which, however, I quote from memory), we may truly say:

"Such stones as these are pilgrim shrines,  
Shrines to no race or place confined;  
The Pantheons, the Palestines,  
The Meccas of the mind!"

We dedicate to-day this boulder and this bronze tablet as a lasting monument and memorial to the Founders, the Fathers, the Pastors, and the Patriots of this community. What niche each one of them filled in the domestic, social, civil, intellectual, or religious life of this neighborhood, or what contribution each made to the common weal, it is not fitting for me to attempt to say, nor could I measure, compute, or estimate it, were I to undertake the task. But we know that as no man's life in any community is void of influence, so we are sure that from the lives of these men whom we commemorate to-day there went out into the sphere of their lives, their activities, their endeavors, mighty formative influences which are not yet lost to view in their descendants, and which will continue to widen and develop in their scope and power in the advancing years, as the rippled waters move with ever enlarging circles, till their movement and momentum are swallowed up in the measureless ocean.

Some of these were men in comparatively humble walks of life; some others of them, in the providence of God and by the favor of their fellow-citizens, were called to broader fields of endeavor, influence, and usefulness; still others offered their lives and sacred honor in defense of home and native land, while some stood as spiritual monitors and religious advisers in the sacred desk, to declare according to the light given to them, and in the measure of their knowledge and convictions, the relations of themselves and their fellow-men to God and the great eternity that lies beyond the limits of time and sense.

We honor them to-day as men who, in either low or high station, acted well their part, performed faithfully the duties that came to their hands, and finally, having served their generation grandly and nobly, died, leaving to their children the rich legacy of a good name, which Holy Writ declares is rather to be chosen than great riches.

The world is better because of their lives, their descendants take pride in and rejoice in the memory of all that they contributed to the betterment of humanity, and their children rise up and call them blessed.

And now, as the day declines towards the eventide, and the shadows lengthen over their grass-grown graves, we leave them to their quiet rest:

“Under the flowers and the dew,  
Waiting the judgment day.”

dedicating to their sacred memories this boulder and its bronze tablet, to be and remain forevermore the eloquent witness to their labors as founders, their virtues as fathers, their devotion as pastors, and their sacrifices as patriots! And with the poet we say:

“Beneath those rugged elms, that yew-tree’s shade,  
Where heaves the turf in many a moldering heap,  
Each in his narrow cell forever laid  
The rude forefathers of the hamlet sleep.

. . . . .  
“No further seek their merits to disclose,  
Or draw their frailties from their dread abode,—  
(There they alike in trembling hope repose.)—  
The Bosom of their Father and their God!”

Another college friend of Mr. Adams was the Hon. Webster R. Walkley, D. C. L.

## FOUNDERS, FATHERS, AND PASTORS DAY

Webster Rogers Walkley, D. C. L.

To Thee! O God! our Father's God  
 We lift our hearts in prayer and praise  
 For this the land the Pilgrims trod  
 Preserved to us from earliest days.

Their faith and hope, their skill and toil  
 Laid broad and deep foundations sure,  
 Our Freedom grew on such rich soil—  
 And Liberty which will endure.

We live to see what they have wrought;  
 To gather harvests from their sowing,  
 They builded better than they thought  
 Our barns are filled to overflowing.

They tilled the soil, they sowed the seed;  
 Yet harvests rich they never reaped;  
 For every want they found its need;  
 The wealth of years—their children heaped.

We come to lay upon their graves  
 The grateful offerings of our love  
 With trust in God, no fear enslaves  
 Their faith was sure, they rest above.

We come to honor these brave men  
 Who lived and wrought in years gone by.  
 How short the span 'twixt now and then  
 Their mem'ry lives, it shall not die.

Here now we place this boulder old  
 By ice-floes borne from Arctic shore;  
 Of names inscribed it will be told  
 Their virtues live forever more.

We come to grave upon this stone  
 The records of their well-spent lives;  
 The shields they wore their children own,  
 The truth they taught still lives and thrives.





WEBSTER ROGERS WALKLEY, D. C. L.

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*Henry B. Brown.*

(See page 74)

We honor men who fought and won  
And waged fierce conflicts for the right;  
The throbbing heart of every son  
Proclaims them heroes in the fight.

We honor men for what they've done,  
The laurel wreath's for victories gained,  
The crowns they wear, if worthily won,  
Are never by dishonor stained.

From Plymouth Rock to farthest shore  
The songs of Liberty arise.

Our country's free; enslaved no more  
Are those who dwell beneath its skies.

The Sower has gone; He has passed on.  
The seed he scattered bore rich grain.

The Reaper has come; from work well done  
He gathers much, much is his gain.

I love these templed groves, these rocks and hills,  
These meadows fair and green, these laughing rills  
That flow from bubbling springs on mountainside,  
And dash in foam to greet the ocean's tide.  
I love these wooded vales, where shadows creep  
And wrap dream robes about us while we sleep,  
And lift tall ladders from the earth to heaven,  
On which we seem to climb, 'till clouds are riven,  
And flecks of sunshine come through leafy bowers  
To wake and chide for these neglected hours.  
I love these fields which lie on sunny slopes,  
And oft conceal the seeds of harvest hopes.  
I love to watch the growing crops of corn,  
Whose leaves are gemmed with pearls of dewy morn;  
I love to see the blades of springing grass—  
Wild flowers which nod as we in silence pass.  
I love to hear the songs of these wild birds,  
In sweeter notes than I can tell in words.  
We lie awake and watch the coming day  
Their songs of praise should teach us how to pray.  
I love to hear the church bells as they ring  
In biting winter days—or in the spring.  
When God's breath brings life to sleeping flower,  
And makes men feel His omniscient power.

Except the seed shall die, no blade of corn  
 Shall hold the crystal pearls of dewey morn.  
 If we obeyed the lessons we've been taught,  
 All through our life has been this happy thought—  
 God gave us life. Through Him we move and live,  
 As much we have received, much shall we give.

Five half-centuries have fled;  
 We cannot count the dead;  
 They sleep in yonder graves.  
 Sunlight falls in waves  
 Of glory and of light,  
 And keeps forever bright  
 The names of honored sons,  
 Not graven on these stones.  
 They live in every heart,  
 Their spirits may take part  
 With us to-day in praise,  
 In speech, in joyful lays,  
 As we our tribute bring  
 To thank our God and King  
 For all his wondrous grace.  
 Love beams on every face,  
 Joy laughs in every eye.  
 Above, the arching sky  
 With its eternal blue  
 In glory bends to view  
 The day we celebrate.

Who were these men who here first built their homes,  
 The spring or source from which our history comes?  
 The land was a grant from the State or crown,  
 To men of repute who had gathered renown,  
 From words they had spoken or deeds they had done.  
 Such find reward. Oft it comes late, but none  
 More deserving than those who dare to do right,  
 And cut away forests to let in the light.  
 Who were these men? We cannot name them all;  
 Children of their children may answer to our call;  
 But now all are gone, their names fade away,  
 As blushes of twilight at close of the day.  
 Home of our fathers, where their dust now reposes,

O'er whose graves is the breath of sweet summer roses;—  
 Though stones, which marked where their bodies decay,  
 Have crumbled and fallen, and are nothing but clay,  
 Their memory lives, and is as green as the leaves,  
 And as rich as the grain of ingathered sheaves.

What makes men great? Who weighs? What turns the scale?  
 Is't fortune's breath, or some more favoring gale?  
 Who mans life's bark? Who watches for the star  
 That never moves, yet tells just where we are?  
 Whose hand is on the helm? Who marks the course?  
 What pilot guides the way? What force  
 Impels, compels, 'gainst wind, and wave, and tide,  
 The ship to sail, or in the harbor to abide?  
 Though clouds obscure the sun by day; at night  
 Who finds in northern sky the glimmering light  
 To which all men turn, who go down in ships  
 To bear the commerce of the world. Our lips  
 Are sealed, yet there comes an answering voice—  
 'Tis God in man. The soul within. Rejoice;  
 What makes men great? The soul within that burns.  
 A conscience clear that lights and warns and turns  
 And gives us strength to know, to do, to dare,  
 To hope, to trust, to live the good to share?

What makes men brave? Their thoughts, their lives, their aims.  
 To love or truth, what are a coward's claims?  
 What makes men great? The truth that lives within.  
 That grows and spreads, and crushes out the sin.  
 Our work is here, the future ne'er is ours;  
 We plant and toil to-day. He sends the flowers.  
 We bide His time. We wait for golden sheaves,  
 Though oft we find that nothing grew but leaves.

Memory, Sentinel of the Past, stands on guard to-day  
 With form erect and piercing glance she points to us the way  
 To chambers vast and old, where hidden treasures lie;  
 The records of immortal deeds, of men not born to die.

We walk amid the graves where many of our kindred sleep,  
 We hold in sweet remembrance, and most lovingly do keep  
 The history of their lives, some were not unknown to fame,  
 Others wrought most worthily and left an honored name.

As we view the landscape o'er, the distant hills that kiss the sky,  
 The river winding at our feet, whose waters pass so swiftly by  
 The wooded glen, the shady grove, the meadows, fair and green,  
 We ask ourselves where Nature paints as beautiful a scene?

We, their children, gather here, the offspring of the long ago,  
 When men were brave and women fair, and dared their courage  
 show.

Who wrought by day and toiled by night, scattering precious seed  
 Which blossomed into fruitage rich for direst hour of need.

Looking backward o'er fleeting months of still more fleeting years,  
 What pictures memory paints! Here hours of joy, there hours of  
 tears,

Though cups were filled with ruby wine, oft they left a bitter taste,  
 And goblets filled with nectar were broken in our haste.

Youth full of ardent hope builds many castles in the air.  
 Bathed in morning light or tinged by sunset's gold how fair!  
 With shaded walks about, and fountain's mist of spray, and songs  
 of birds—

The scene is too enchanting for us to paint in words.

Youth plucks the daisies in the meadows, and the buttercups of  
 June,

Like the flowers it gathers, it wilts and fades as soon.  
 The scarlet rose of manhood seems a flower of sturdier growth,  
 The blush of womanhood reveals our nature's subtlest truth.

Fathers and Founders and Pastors still live,  
 Our sight may be dimmed, we cannot behold,  
 Though in spirit they meet us, the lessons they give  
 Are of God, and His truth same as of old.

Fathers, how deep the meaning of that word!  
 What sainted forms doth memory recall!  
 How are our inmost feelings thrilled and stirred,  
 As we lisp their names or hearken to their call!

Founders are they who laid the foundation,  
 And builded above the State, church, and school;  
 United are these in all their relations,  
 Sustaining, supporting with wisdom to rule.

Those Pastors who preached the word of the Lord,  
 Who cared for the flocks given into their care,  
 Though servants of peace kept burnished the sword,  
 Their trust was in God, in powder, and prayer.

The real man is invisible, unseen;  
 A soul within reveals his worth and power.  
 It lightens up his face with smiles of truth,  
 And looks beyond to an immortal life.  
 He is taller than his height. His right arm  
 Doth not measure strength. His real nobler self  
 Reaches, expands toward the Infinite.  
 He is broader than his shoulders, or his breast;  
 Weightier than avoirdupois of scales.  
 Truth in the soul seeks light. As seeds do burst,  
 And spring from Mother Earth to bud and flower,  
 So the spirit of a man doth make great.  
 Such are the pivots on which epochs turn;  
 Such men make the history of the world;  
 Sometimes at stake in martyrs' fire they burn,  
 Yet new eras dawn.

And now on busy street shall stand  
 For life and work so nobly grand,  
 This boulder old, that all may learn  
 That one is great who can discern  
 The power of will which gives one might,  
 And strengthens men to do the right.

The poem was followed by an address by C. Collard Adams on  
 "Two Pioneers, Captain Nathaniel White and Captain Hugh  
 White."

- Miss Hattie Hubbard, an elocutionist of high ability, gave a recitation. This was followed by an address by the Hon. Charles H. Stanton, M. A., Bursar of Hamilton College:

#### THE NEW CROMWELL

If I am to speak, it must be for the Cromwell in Oneida County, New York. You may not find the name there, but you will not search in vain for the spirit.

The eastern part of the Mohawk Valley was settled by the Dutch. If you could stop just west of Utica, in your rapid flight

on the New York Central Railroad, for a more careful inspection of the eighty-foot column that stands on the hill beside that great thoroughfare, an enduring monument to mark the Oriskany battlefield, you would be delighted with the bronzes depicting the scenes of that conflict, which ranks as one of the decisive battles of the Revolution: you would be charmed with the classic inscription written by Professor Edward North, who went to his lifelong and memorable work in Hamilton College from your neighboring Berlin, but, as you attempted to read the tablets which record the names of the heroes who fought for us that day, you would find them deeply, unmistakably Dutch.

But, wait! Middletown Upper Houses is to be heard from. A few years after that battle in the wilderness another is to begin near by. In the springtime of 1784 Hugh White, a stalwart man from this village, is slowly pushing his way westward, past the Dutch settlements of the eastern Mohawk, past the burned houses and devastated fields of the middle valley, wasted by ruthless Indians and Tories, stopping finally just east of the battlefield, where the Sauquoit from the south joins the winding waters of the Mohawk. Here, in the wilderness, surrounded by Indians, forty miles from other settlers and the greatly needed gristmill, he builds his habitation in what is to become the beautiful village of Whitesboro, now a western suburb of Utica. Here he was to win a victory greater than that of the battle; here, a hundred years later, his labors and virtues were to be celebrated in a great memorial gathering, and witnessed by a worthy granite shaft erected on the village green.

With his sturdy sons he clears away the forest, and the fertile soil yields more abundant crops than the land he had left. From time to time, shrewd Yankee that he was, he sends back to Cromwell great onions, the tallest stalks and largest ears of corn. But the evidences he sent were convincing. One by one the families here supplied new settlers for the new country. So went the Risleys, Butlers, Stockings, Eells, Shepards, Hamlins, and others. Among these, in 1794, went my great-grandfather, Gideon Savage, great-grandson of John Savage, one of the founders of Middletown Upper Houses. He had returned to Upper Houses after graduation from the campaigns with Washington in New Jersey and the hardships of Valley Forge; here he married the daughter of Aaron White; here his son, in due time, married Elizabeth Hamlin, descended from Thomas Ranney and from the first pastor, Rev. Joseph Smith, and thereby, I may humbly add, here am I, one of the fruits of these alliances.

In the ways I have indicated, Cromwell, transplanted in Oneida



County, took root and flourished, and New England began again in New York. Since then waves of population from Wales, Ireland, and now from Italy, have swept over the region as new developments have occurred, but some of the old stock still remain. They have a just pride in their ancestry, for they were honest, industrious, intelligent, God-fearing men and women. To-day we render grateful tribute to the century and a quarter of heredity and training here that equipped them for their work.

Such men your town and State sent forth to till our soil, to build our churches and schools, and to found our colleges. Among these came Samuel Kirkland, the devoted missionary to the Oneida Indians, and founded our Hamilton College in 1812. Yale furnished her first president, but the College has paid you back the whole debt in sending to your State and neighborhood Charles Dudley Warner and Senator Hawley, and in giving to the nation Elihu Root.

With slight variations, the story I have told you would doubtless be the story of all these pilgrims, who, from different regions, have gathered here to-day.

Veneration for a noble ancestry is an interesting theme. A few weeks ago, when we read Togo's report of his marvelous victory and his declaration that it was gained not by the strength of men but by the virtue of their ancestors, we shrugged our shoulders and passed it by with a halfway feeling of superiority and compassion for such a lingering, superstitious fetich from a barbarian past. But were we right? Is not this great, consuming, national regard for their forefathers worthy of our deeper respect? Must we not concede to this noble affection similar praise to that compelled from us by their skill in war and sanitation?

Then came Rev. Edwin H. Ranney, the patriarch of eighty-two years, who gave his reminiscences of Cromwell and Middletown Upper Houses.

#### REMINISCENCES OF MIDDLETOWN UPPER HOUSES AND CROMWELL

"How dear to my heart are the scenes of my childhood,  
When fond recollection presents them to view,"

The childhood home is, indeed, to children the dearest spot on earth; and even when they outgrow their childhood, and as men and women scatter in different directions over this wide world, they never lose sight of the dear old homestead wherein they

were born; nor do they forget the associates and associations of their early life. New homes, new associations, and new associates will never entirely obliterate from their memories the scenes and experiences of their childhood days.

These thoughts thus briefly expressed will serve as a preface to what follows as to my own experience. Some twenty-five years ago I sold out my interest in Cromwell and, bidding adieu to the old homestead, took my departure for the Sunny South. This movement was made at the suggestion of my wife's sister who was teaching school in that part of the country, and invited my wife to join her in her pedagogical work; and I concluded that, while she was teaching, I might be preaching. I soon found, however, that I had made the greatest mistake of my life; and the dear old homestead, with its dearer associations, loomed up before me; homesickness set in, and I could have kissed the very ground on which I used to tread. Many a time since I left it I have entered the old home through dreamland, and found myself in full possession as in days of yore, but the morning dawned, the dream passed away, and with it went the bright and beautiful vision. But "There's a divinity that shapes our ends, rough hew them as we will." And my subsequent experience has led me to indorse and adopt the sentiment so well expressed by Dr. Bushnell: "Different things are to be done, and God will inspire us for just what we have to do; and it may be that our inspiration, being for a riper age, will so far, be of a higher quality," and certainly my riper age, and riper inspiration, and providential environment have led to the accomplishment of that of which I never had antecedently earned.

In former days I had some experience in teaching, or trying to teach, the young idea how to shoot. It was in that age of the world when teachers boarded around among the patrons of the school, and I never have forgotten the bill of fare presented before me by one of these patrons. He must have thought I didn't know beans, for they were set before me three times a day in one shape or another. He might, possibly, have considered them to be good brain food, and thought I needed them. The four or five schools of Cromwell at that time were sufficient to intellectualize all the children of that generation.

Knowledge and wisdom prevailed in every school district, and if the children remained in ignorance it was not the fault of the teachers. But the three R's graduates were numerous, and some of them took a postgraduate course in the Academy.

In those days of culture and refinement there was but one fool in Middletown Upper Houses! I mean, natural fool, and I am

quite sure if the fool-killer were to come this way now he would find his occupation gone. But what a change has come over Cromwell in educational matters: That large, commodious, modern edifice, ornamental, as well as useful, and located in the center of population, has absorbed the lesser lights, and is shining forth in all its splendor to illuminate and educate the present and future generations. If, therefore, the future citizens of Cromwell do not surpass former generations in wisdom and intelligence, they will not have improved the greater facilities afforded them.

My earlier life was spent in Middletown Upper Houses, to which place our father returned when I was six years of age. Until then I had never seen the Connecticut River, and one of the first sights that greeted my eyes was a brig lying at the wharf adjacent to the "brick store." To my rural mind it was a picturesque scene, and the greatest wonder of the age; at least, of my age. But such scenes soon became familiar. It was the commercial age of Middletown Upper Houses, when cargoes of salt, sugar, and molasses were received direct from the West Indies. But the "Brick Store," the wharves, the vessels, and river have long since become obsolescent so far as any foreign trade is concerned. The steamboats going up and down the river at that time were also a great curiosity. One of these, the *Oliver Cromwell*, I think, was commanded by Captain Thomas Stowe, who then lived in what was considered at that time a beautiful residence on the corner now occupied by the Baptist Church. These steamers were of the side-wheel variety and made a much more imposing appearance than the propellers of the present day. They had what seemed to be a dangerous way of receiving and landing passengers—instead of stopping the big boat, they would lower from the davits a small boat attached to a long rope, and, while the steamer was in motion, the small boat was run out to the wharf by the propulsive power which the rope received from the steamer; by this method the steamer was kept in the channel, and continued on her way. The house we first occupied when we moved in from Berlin was near the river in the neighborhood of the aristocracy of Middletown Upper Houses at that time. The post office was within half a square of our residence, and did a big business on a small scale, receiving, I suppose, at least a dozen letters a day. The long-distance postage on letters then was twenty-five cents, and prepayment of postage was not required. The stage coach was then the only conveyance for mails as well as for passengers. Our postmaster was also a magistrate; he was of large dimensions, and a large-hearted man. I was in a nearby orchard one day and under one of the apple trees I found a small tin box, which turned

out to be the money box of the postmaster. I never knew how much money it contained, but on returning it to him I received a four-pence-half-penny, equivalent in those days to six and a quarter cents, which to my poor little pocket was, as it were, a bonanza. I considered myself amply rewarded. I mention this simply to show that honesty in those days did not go unrewarded. The next move of our family, two years later, was to a house on the bank of the river, not far from our first and former residence. On the opposite side of the street was a large house which had been used as a tavern in the days of our commercial prosperity. Next to the tavern was a smaller building used as a hat factory. Our next neighbor on the bank of the river was a sea-faring man, whose wife, known to us children as Aunt Hannah, used to give us tamarinds, which her husband was in the habit of bringing home with him on his return from sea voyages, and we children acquired a love for Aunt Hannah through our love for her tamarinds. On the opposite side of the street from Aunt Hannah was another sea-faring man who had an interesting history as being one of a crew captured and held in captivity by the Arabs. After much suffering he was finally released and returned home. The neighborhood was noted for sea-faring men. Besides those already alluded to, were Captain Bailey, Captain Parker, Captain McKee, Captain White, Captain Tim. Savage, and Captain Mildrum, all of whom are pleasantly remembered as good neighbors.

Occasionally there would be shooting-matches on a small scale near the hat factory. Robins and swallows were the sufferers. The point aimed at was to hit the birds on the wing, *i. e.*, while they were flying, and I think one of the Eells boys proved to be the best marksman.

And there was shipbuilding in those days. The shipyard of Captain Webber was a busy place, and many a vessel was introduced to the Connecticut River from its ways. A few vessels of less tonnage were also built a few rods to the south of our residence.

The aristocratic part of our neighborhood was somewhat noted for summer visitors from New York. One of these visitors was in the habit of bringing with him his horses and carriage; the driver, a colored man, would take the horses to the river to give them a bath; on one occasion he ventured out too far, and the horse he was riding, becoming frightened, threw him off, and he was drowned. A little further on up the river there lived a distinguished citizen whose personality attracted considerable attention, as he was regarded a curiosity, especially by the children; he was distinguished by his Lilliputian proportions. The lower Middletowners were in the habit of enlisting him in their fan-

tastic, Invincible parades. But notwithstanding his diminutive stature he was a peaceable and useful citizen. The schoolhouse in our neighborhood, with its cupola and bell, was worthy of our aristocratic and well-to-do citizens; it was well located, and its architecture was all that could be expected in the days when the schoolroom was furnished with desks which ornamented the three walls to which they were attached; and the backless seats were adjusted accordingly; so that the white walls were the silent witnesses of the hieroglyphics which the scholars would make with their knives and pencils. Religious meetings were often held in the schoolhouse at early candle-light, and the neighbors were, of course, depended on to furnish the lights, and the way the brass candlesticks were polished up for the occasion showed the interest the ladies took in the meeting, while the dim religious light seemed an inspiration to the minister, and threw over the little assembly a hallowed influence. Precious days, precious memories! "Gone, but not forgotten." Within a few rods of the schoolhouse was the beautiful residence of the beloved physician of the village, Dr. Sylvester Bulkeley. Of all the families of Middletown Upper Houses the Sages and Savages were the most numerous. The fishing industry was then carried on to a considerable extent, and seines and fishhouses were in evidence on both sides of the river. Shad were then abundant in the Connecticut River, and it was said that sixteen hundred were caught in one haul of the net at the Jefferson fish place on the opposite side of the river. This may or may not be a fish story, I cannot vouch for it. Sturgeon were also plentiful. The fishermen had a unique way of dividing the catch when it was small: The shad were of different sizes, and in order to equalize each one's share as accurately as possible they would lay the shad into as many piles as there were fishermen, and then one of their number would turn his back to the piles, and another would call out, "Who shall have that?" and so on to the end of the piles. In this way the shad were satisfactorily distributed. A shilling then would buy a large-sized shad.

We now leave the river and go west about three-eighths of a mile. About midway between our new residence and the old was the Zenas Edwards tavern. In those days this tavern was well patronized by the traveling public, and by our own citizens as well. Both solid and liquid refreshments were served. Among the attractions to the tavern was a nine-pin alley, afterwards changed to a ten-pin alley, in order to nullify a new law against the nine-pin ally; this alley was well patronized by the clubmen of Middletown, whose patronage of the bar would pay for the use

of the alley. But as bowling alleys were multiplied this particular one gradually fell into "innocuous desuetude." About thirty rods west of the tavern was a slaughter-house, which supplied meat for the villagers and Middletowners. There was no beef trust then to monopolize the business and control the market, and the great Chicago was then in its infancy.

With our change of residence my school days were transferred from the Bell schoolhouse to the brick schoolhouse, which stood on the roadside, about five and twenty rods west of the Nathaniel White school building. I had pretty well mastered Noah Webster's spelling book, and was now prepared for the higher branches, and soon found myself wrestling with the three R's, in two of which I became quite proficient. It was customary in those days for the teacher to give, what was then considered, beautifully engraved certificates as rewards of merit to those who excelled in their studies and deportment, and at the close of the school term the older scholars would receive books. In those days the singing-school was an interesting institution, especially to the beaux and belles of the village. The old brown schoolhouse, which stood just a few rods west of the Congregational Church, was the trysting place, and the chorister of the church was the teacher; and the boys and girls were pretty thoroughly drilled in the rudiments of music. The only "department" store in the village was owned and conducted by Elisha Stocking. He was a model merchant and did business on strictly honest principles. In those days delivery wagons were unknown and purchasers delivered their own goods. The apple orchards of Middletown Upper Houses furnished an abundant supply of fruit, both for the cellars and the cider mills. The first cider mill I remember stood at the point of intersection of the two roads just west of Dowd's brook, near where stood the old Fletcher Ranney house. A half mile or so further west was the Ezra Sage cider mill. The apples were laid in a large circular trough and were crushed to a pulp by a ponderous roller moving round the circle by horse-power. Cheeses were then made of the pomace, and large tubs below the platform received the juice that was pressed out, and we boys showed our interest in the operation by means of straws with which we sampled the contents of the tubs and barrels. There were two tanneries in the village, one of which was the Dowd tannery, the other, located some forty rods west of our place of residence, was owned and operated by my grandfather, Deacon William Ranney. There lived in the wild woods west of the new cemetery, an old man by the name of Simon Hubbard. He made salve and peddled it, and Simon Hubbard's salve was the best and the only salve in

the market. Of the quarries of Middletown Upper Houses I need not speak, except to say that the Towner quarry, the first one opened, produced an excellent quality of stone, which would compare favorably with that of any of the Cromwell quarries. Its long distance from the river, however, was a hindrance to its success. A loco-foco match factory was for a while one of the industries of Middletown Upper Houses. It was situated on the turnpike about midway between the tavern and the Williams corner. It was a small affair, but revolutionized the method of starting fires, and was a wonderful thing in that day and generation. It consigned the tinder-box, with its flint and steel, to the curiosity shop. Very few of the present population of Cromwell remember the firm of Sage & Russell, carpenters and builders, who carried on an extensive business in what is now the Hale and Boardman neighborhood. The piles of lumber that were in evidence there in those days, and the workshop, with its dozen or more of men plying their planes, saws, and hammers, gave to that section of the town an industrial aspect, indicative of thrift, both to the employed and employers. Many a good mechanic in that line of business served his apprenticeship in that establishment. But employers and employees have long since laid aside their implements of industry and passed on to the life beyond, where houses are not made with hands.

Northwest Cromwell also had an industrial plant which furnished to the country a superior quality of hammers. This plant was owned and operated by the brothers, Marvin and Isaac Warner, well known by the present generation, and kindly remembered as being among our most useful and respected citizens.

The founders of the plant in North Cromwell have long since passed away, but their works remain to testify of their ingenuity and enterprise in the building up of an establishment which has contributed so much to the welfare of Cromwell. The products of their industry have been distributed in every part of the country the Christmas sun shines on, to the delight and amusement of young America; and may this delight and amusement long continue from the same source.

A brick kiln was once one of the industries of Middletown Upper Houses. It was located on the Joseph Edwards property near to what was the entrance to "Fur-Neck." In the woods of that vicinity were numerous shellbark walnut trees, which furnished the boys of the neighborhood their winter's supply of the finest quality of walnuts, and the Round Meadow nearby was our skating park. In my last round there on skates I was tripped up by coming in contact with shell ice, and went home with a bloody

face. That ended my skating days. I will make mention here of a remarkable event which occurred when I was thirteen years old, and I suppose I was the only one in Middletown Upper Houses who witnessed it. It was about three o'clock in the morning of November 13, 1833. As I was lying in bed I happened to look out of the window and one of the grandest spectacles the world ever saw met my eyes. Meteors were falling thick as snow-flakes; it was a magnificent sight, and I afterwards regretted that I did not rouse the neighborhood to see it.

A comb manufactory, on a small scale, was one of the industries of Middletown Upper Houses; it did not flourish to any great extent, however, and had but a brief existence. The proprietor was postmaster for a short time, and was probably the first to introduce the letter-carrier system into the Post Office Department. On a Sunday he would kindly take with him to church the letters of those who lived at a distance, and deliver them to the addressee. He did not long remain a resident of the place. A vault in the old cemetery which he built for the last resting-place of a daughter bears silent testimony to his useful and honorable career as a citizen of the town.

At the Nooks lived Alexander Sage, whose extensive and widely-known watermelon patch invited trespassers from all directions. A boatload of young men and women from Middletown visited the place on a Sunday, and on the return trip the boat capsized and two of the women were drowned. The event caused quite a sensation at the time, and was regarded a retributory act of Providence for the violation of the Lord's day.

There were two churches in Middletown Upper Houses; the Congregational, which stood on the village green, and the Baptist, which stood some fifteen or twenty rods below. I well remember Rev. Joshua L. Williams, pastor of the Congregational Church, who lived in the house now occupied by the family of the late Joseph Edwards. With pastor Zebulon Crocker I was better acquainted, and it was during his pastorate that a more friendly feeling existed between the two denominations; a union Sunday School picnic was one of the results of this friendly feeling. At this picnic I was highly honored in being called upon by Pastor Crocker for a speech. Now speechifying was not in my line of business; but I ventured to launch out. I am happy to say there were no reporters for the press around in those days, and fortunately there is no one now living, except myself, that remembers anything about it; but the woods where the picnic was held are still standing, so they were not blasted by it, though it was a scorcher. The Congregational Church edifice was a two-story



square-frame building, and, as it had galleries its seating capacity must have been about four hundred; its pulpit was elevated some eight or ten feet above the first floor, and had a large, ponderous-looking sounding-board overhead. Besides the regular narrow slips, there were numerous large, square, family pews. But the Congregationalists outgrew their place of worship and built the finer, larger and more commodious structure on the hill and matched it with a fine, brick parsonage.

The Baptist meeting house originally stood on the green near where the Catholic Church now stands; it was a frame building sixty by forty-five feet, with the narrow slips and family pews arrangement. The first pastor I remember was Elder Frederick Wightman, who was the father of the eminent lawyer, Stillman K. Wightman, one of whose sons is following in the footsteps of his grandfather as Baptist preacher. In those days the church was heated by wood fires in long, box stoves, and little foot-stoves filled with live coals were used by the ladies, who found them indispensable to their comfort.

The ladies living at a long distance from the church would bring their lunch with them, and in the summer season during the intermission between the morning and afternoon services they would resort to the residence of a neighbor nearby to enjoy the fragrance of the flowers, and the flavor of the fennel which the garden supplied in great abundance. After the resignation of Elder Wightman the meeting house was moved to the more central location just below the village green; here alterations were made and the interior modernized; the pulpit was placed in front between the two outside doors, and the seats arranged accordingly, so that timid people coming in late would have to go through the terrible ordeal of facing the congregation. But it had one advantage; it saved the necessity of turning the head to see the newcomer.

But, like their neighbors, the Congregationalists, the Baptists outgrew their old house of worship and built the more modern and commodious edifice on the hillside where the residence of Capt. Thomas Stow once stood. Here they have worshipped for many years, and will continue to hold the fort in defense of the faith once delivered to the saints.

The military parades of that day are worthy of mention. Armed and equipped as the law required, the valiant soldiers would march up and down the streets of the village, preceded by martial strains of music from fife and drums, and followed by a crowd of youngsters to whom such displays of military maneuvers were more attractive and interesting than to those who were affording them so much of amusement and recreation. These annual parades ex-

empted those who participated in them from certain taxes and thus compensated them for their observance of the law.

Cromwell can boast of two institutions that were never dreamed of by the inhabitants of Middletown Upper Houses: First, the Savings Bank. The people at that time were not, as a rule, overburdened with money; there were but few exceptions, and these few were under the necessity of taking their surplus to Middletown. In those days there was much less danger of losing money and other valuables by midnight marauders; indeed, such a thing as burglary was unknown, and people could retire for the night with the latch-string out, and sleep soundly and safely, with none to molest or make them afraid. But in these times of Frenzied Finance, when speculation and peculation are the order of the day, Savings Banks are indispensable to the protection and benefit of the community.

The other institution of which our ancestors never dreamed is the Chinese Laundry. China was a walled-in Empire away the other side of the planet, and it never occurred to them that these walls would one day be broken down, and the Chinese go swarming all over the world. And then alien laundries in rural districts were unnecessary. Simplicity and economy in dress made family washes light compared with those of the present day. But the great change that has taken place in the wardrobes of modern times makes the laundry business boom. And the Celestial who is plying his earthly profession in your midst is one of the best of his nationality.

Citizens of the Cromwell of to-day: I most heartily greet you, and congratulate you on having in your midst our enterprising friend, Charles Collard Adams. On him you have depended for planning and executing this beautiful tribute to former distinguished citizens of your town. This tablet shows how well he has accomplished the work you committed to his hands. I can readily understand that in the performance of this duty he has experienced as much pleasure as his fellow-citizens are now experiencing in the reception and contemplation of the finished work. It marks a new epoch in the history of Cromwell. The antecedent period leading up to it is full of interesting events which will be indelibly impressed on the minds of the present and future generations. This tablet is a viewpoint from which we may not only look into the past, but watch with greater interest the unfolding of the future. It has been said that "it is as natural for a man to wish for imperishable fame as for an eternal existence." The author of these words, Bushnell, achieved for himself the imperishable fame, and long since entered

upon his eternal existence; but Bushnell Park will ever be resounding with his praise by the citizens of Hartford. Ordinarily monuments are objects of interest only to the family to which the deceased belonged. In this busy world of ours the dead are soon forgotten. Yet there are those whose lives are so interwoven with the lives of others, and specially prominent in public life, as to merit and receive such honors as are now accorded to the group whose names are immortalized on these tablets.

"Lives of great men all remind us,  
We can make our lives sublime;  
And, departing leave behind us,  
Foot-prints on the sands of time."

The closing address of the celebration was given by the Rev. Edward Eells, descendant of the second pastor, on

#### THE COLONIAL PASTOR

Someone will ask "What has this to do with Bunker Hill Day?" This much can be truthfully said of the pastors of our colonies, particularly in New England, "They made the men who made the fight." Among those heroes upon whose graves you have placed your silken flags this afternoon, together with those born here in Upper Houses but buried in other spots or left unburied, hastily placed in a shallow and unmarked grave amid the stress of marches and of battles for our Country's freedom, soldiers of the War of the Revolution were three sons of my ancestor, the Rev. Edward Eells. They had sat under his preaching from babyhood. He had taught them their catechism. He had instilled into their forming minds the sturdy sense of duty, of devotion, of self-sacrifice, of high ideals, from which they did not swerve through eight years of constant battling. They had few books, no papers, no magazines. Such honest thoughts as they had they got from hearing their father in his home and in the pulpit of the meeting house which stood on the green only a few rods south of this church. And as a man thinketh so is he.

My parson ancestor also sent his own boys to the battlefield. Edward was already in the "troop of horse" commanded by Capt. Comfort Sage, when the news of Lexington came, and he started the next day. My pastor ancestor was not spared to go himself, as did three of his sons, for in the autumn of 1776, the birth year of our Independence, he was laid in yonder cemetery, having said, "Lord, now lettest Thou Thy servant depart in peace; for mine eyes have seen Thy salvation."

We know that his last sermons must have rung with the battle cry of freedom while his younger brother, Nathaniel, life-long pastor at Stonington, was one of the recruiting parsons who gave his people from the pulpit the news of Lexington and called on them to arm and fight for God and liberty. Then seizing the musket which he had with him in the pulpit he sprang down among his congregation crying, "Who will go to the war with me?"

"A hundred hands flung up reply,  
A hundred voices answered, 'I'."

And now in parting we wish to thank you again for your welcome to those who have come to you as partial strangers on a sacred pilgrimage to the resting place of our ancestors, worthy of their honor and love. We are strangers no longer. You have received us with open hearts; we bid you good-by with hearts full of grateful regret. For your kindness to the living, for your faithful care of the graves of the departed, for your generosity in beautifying their resting place, we thank you and love you more than we can tell. Whenever you send us word we will gladly assemble here again, from the different quarters of our land; and in the meantime we leave to your faithful guardianship the graves which hold our heroes' sacred dust.



WM. F. J. BOARDMAN  
(See page 772)



WALTER COLLYER FAXON  
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REV. WILLIAM PORKESS  
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DANIEL J. DONAHOE  
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REUNION GROUP OF 1907

## REUNION OF THE SOCIETY

June 19, 1907

On May 1 the invitation to, and program of, the Fourth Reunion of the society was mailed. The day of the reunion was fair, and the program was thoroughly carried out.

At 9.30 A. M., on arrival of the early trains, there was a gathering on Stocking Triangle, and the group was photographed by Mrs. Iva Grover, who has been official photographer to the Society. Then followed the

### ADDRESS OF WELCOME

Rev. William Porkess

Mr. Vice President: I count it a great pleasure to have the opportunity of giving the address of welcome to those who are visiting Cromwell to-day in connection with the Reunion of the Society of Middletown Upper Houses. There are certain words in our language which seem to strike the cords of our nature whenever they are uttered. One of those words, I think, is "Reunion." Many of you to-day are taking each other by the hand and looking into each other's faces for the first time in two years. It may even be longer than this. To you, therefore, the word "Reunion" arouses within your nature feelings of joy. The word, however, not only brings joy, but also sadness. Some of you, perhaps, no longer see the faces that you saw at the last gathering. Their work in this world is over and they have been called to a superior world to do a superior work. Therefore, I think, to the intelligent a reunion such as this has its mixture of joy and sadness. It also has the effect of spurring us on to do all that is within our power for the world in which we live, remembering that the longest life is but short. Now the primary object of this gathering to-day, if I rightly understand it, is to do honor to the men who founded this town now called Cromwell, and also to those who were connected with it in its early stages. Many to whom I am speaking may have the blood of these men in their veins, and to you it must be an especial joy to be present on this auspicious occasion. There are those of us who cannot claim any relationship, yet we are pleased to unite with the descendants because we know through the records of history we are doing honor to men of char-

acter and men who believed in progress. I can never think of the men of progress and of character who have lived before us without feeling that we are indebted to them—we have borrowed from them. We often boast of being independent, but, really, when we come to go deeply into life there is no such thing as being independent. We have borrowed from preceding generations, and were it not for their spirit of progress and their exemplification of character which have been handed down and infused into present-day life we should not see the marks of progress and of character that we do. This truth of human nature, I believe, ignores any particular country; it is too universal to be confined to any geographical limitations. The past has handed on to the present, and the present is continually drawing from the past. May I illustrate this? My eye catches the date of 1650, which you see upon this stone. That was the time when Oliver Cromwell was fighting for the rights and freedom of the people across the Atlantic. He did not care anything about being head of England. Exalted political position was a small thing to him. He was, however, all on fire for the righteous claims of the people. The spirit of such a man, I say, was the spirit of a nobleman. Now, let us jump 257 years, and what do you find in this America of to-day? You have in your Chief Executive a man who has the same cause at heart and the same spirit that Oliver Cromwell had. May we not designate President Roosevelt as the Oliver Cromwell of 1907? He is not working for his own ends, but rather for the rights and freedom of the many countries that are represented by the teeming millions who have flocked to this land. Let this reunion to-day, then, make us think of our indebtedness to all noblemen of the past, men who have stood for the highest type of character, men who have dared to do the thing that was right, never stopping for one moment to consider the consequences, men who have always sought the welfare of the masses, men who have striven to honor God and to let the spirit of Jesus Christ light up their lives. Such men have left to the world a lasting legacy. Though dead they yet speak. So as we emulate their example can we hope to have a share in leaving that mark of influence upon the world which can never be erased. Again, Mr. Vice President, let me express the great pleasure it gives me to make the address of welcome to you on this Reunion Day.

The response was given by the Vice President, Mr. John Goodhue Ranney, as follows:

After listening to the warm words of welcome expressed for





SENGLING BARNEY

*Sengling Barney*



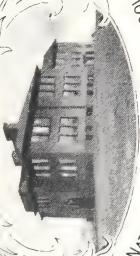
CAPT. TIMOTHY SMAGE

*Timothy Smage*

*Leah White, Samuel Stocking, Sons*

# Founders

NATHANIEL WHITE PUBLIC SCHOOL



*David Sage, Senior & Mr. Kirby*

# Fathers.



MAJ. EDWARD BELLS

*John Farnes*



CAPT. HORACE STOCKING

*John Adams Hill*



SAMUEL WILSON

*This Certifies that*

*Lumber*

*is hereby constituted a Life Member of the*

## Society of Middletown Upper Houses Inc.

*Charles Colvard Adams*  
SEC. TREAS.

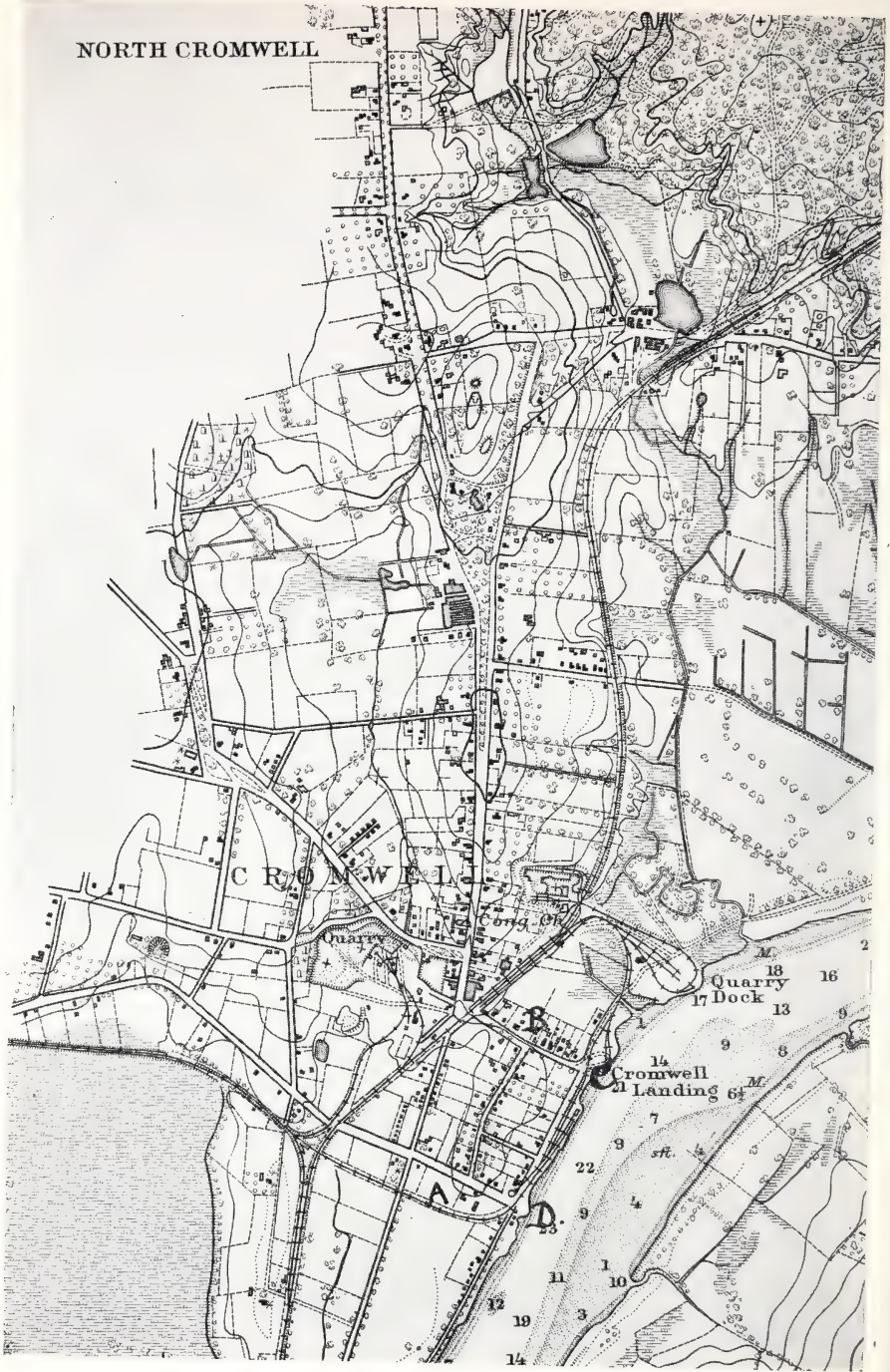


TO FOUNDERS FATHERS PASTORS & PATRIOTS

*John & P. Hill*  
PRESIDENT  
VICE PRES.

Full size is 17x11 inches with border

NORTH CROMWELL



UNITED STATES SURVEY MAP OF CROMWELL IN 1900  
AB, AD, BC Original Streets of 1650

us, the representatives of the different "clans," descendants of "The Middletown Upper Houses," I rise to thank you citizens of Cromwell, and the speaker who has so ably voiced your greetings to us: And I see gathered about this tablet to "Founders, Fathers, and Patriots" men of labor and men of thought, who with reverent hearts draw near and stand beside the names of men who fought to build and bless this pleasant land.

They, too, were men of toil and thought,  
The noblest that their age could give.  
Their names are with our history wrought;  
They cannot die, and memory live.

And now again, in behalf of the members here assembled, and also in the behalf of those absent ones of our "clans" whose hearts are with us, I thank you.

A pilgrimage was then made to the streets of 1650, where the first comers settled, thence to the "Church Green," where the first schoolhouse before 1713, the first church of 1715, and the second church of 1738 had been erected; thence to the cemetery of 1713, where the visitors found over thirty graves of Revolutionary soldiers, each marked with a Betsy Ross flag and a bronze marker donated by the Connecticut Society of the Sons of the American Revolution, the pastors' graves marked with a flag, while many of the early graves were designated by large flags. The Secretary-Treasurer assisted in pointing out the graves of prominent ancestors of the various clans present.

At noon the business meeting was held in the Baptist Church, President Frank Langdon Wilcox presiding. The Secretary-Treasurer read his report for the two years, which was approved and accepted with a vote of thanks. The election of officers resulted as follows:

President, Hon. Frank Langdon Wilcox, Berlin, Conn.

Vice Presidents: Rev. James Riley Johnson, D. D., Nyack, N. Y.; Rev. Francis Goodwin, D. D., Hartford, Conn.; Wm. Pierrepont White, Utica, N. Y.; Edgar Jared Doolittle, Meriden, Conn.; Zenas Edwards Ranney, Middletown, Conn.; John Keyes Williams, Hartford, Conn.; John Hall Sage, Portland, Conn.; Charles Eben Jackson, Middletown, Conn.; Frederick Butler Wightman, New Rochelle, N. Y.; Geo. H. Blanden, Springfield, Mass.; Geo. Washburn Stocking, Sinterville, W. Va.

Secretary-Treasurer, Charles Collard Adams, M. A., Cromwell, Conn.

Executive Committee: The President; Charles Henry Stanton, Clinton, N. Y.; Ebenezer Goodhue Ranney, Homer, N. Y.;

Arthur Boardman, Cromwell, Conn.; John Goodhue Ranney, Syracuse, N. Y.

The Executive Committee was empowered to transact the business of the Society.

Dinner followed, having been prepared in the church parlors by the Baptist choir who were assisted by their friends, ninety-five families in all being represented by the gifts on the table. Grace was said by the Rev. D. B. Hubbard, pastor of the Third Congregational Church of Middletown.

#### PUBLIC EXERCISES

These were held in the church at 2 P. M., and were as follows:

- Doxology, The Congregation.  
 Prayer, The Rev. Charles Wightman.  
 President's Address, The Hon. F. L. Wilcox, M. A.  
 "Asher Riley and His Tribe," The Rev. James Riley Johnson, D. D.  
 Solo, Mrs. William Porkess.  
 "Armorial of Our Ancestors," Mrs. Charles Ernest Cameron.  
 "Example of Capt. Nathaniel White," The Hon. W. J. Barber.  
 Solo, Mrs. William Porkess.  
 "The Rev. Samuel Johnson, D. D., First President of King's College," Charles Collard Adams, M. A.  
 "The Builders"—A Poem, The Hon. Daniel J. Donahoe.  
 "Some Early Cromwell Preachers," The Rev. Percy Butler Wightman.  
 Hymn, Blest be the Tie That Binds.  
 Benediction, Rev. Dr. Johnson.

The addresses follow in the order of delivery:

#### PRESIDENT'S ADDRESS

The Hon. Frank Langdon Wilcox, M. A.

In the years of long ago, from the thunderings and clouds of Mt. Sinai, was given to man the noblest code of laws that was ever submitted for the government of the human race. Centuries have rolled along, nations have risen and fallen, the divine intellect of man has molded and advanced our views, progress and development have encircled the world, until we are all one family in daily communication one with another. We now understand things that once were unfathomable mysteries, and not conceiv-

able in the highest flights of fancy. Yes, since the days of the wandering Israelites in the wilderness of Arabia, changes, great changes, have come to the sons of men. Yet no man has successfully undertaken to better, by omission or addition, a single one of those ten stone-graven principles. One of those tried and proven bases for human conduct is that we shall "Honor our fathers and mothers, that our days may be long in the land which the Lord our God has given us." Religiously, sentimentally, and practically, this appeals to us as right. We are creatures of environment, but more, we are affected by the laws of heredity. Personally our natures, dispositions, and possessions come from our forebears, but our larger testamentary bequests are the beneficent joys of a safe and sane life in a country made great and filled with possibilities by generations of men who have lived, loved, sacrificed, and died, that our heritage might be priceless and beyond the power of words to describe. Thou shalt "Honor thy father and thy mother." It is in the desire to "*Honor*" them that the Society of Middletown Upper Houses has its being, and the only claim that can rightly call you here to-day from I know not how many States of this Union. We *Honor* them when we seek to know the principles upon which they governed their lives, and strive to find the impelling force which enabled them to perform deeds of nation building. We *Honor* them if their lives inspire us to better and less selfish purposes—for they do affect our characters. Soul upon soul, and life upon life influences us in a mysterious way. The influence of our daily companions upon us is a recognized force, and the impress of the lives of those who lived years ago is but little potent. We all were affected by the words and scenes at the death bed of our late martyred President McKinley, but who has not been equally touched by the picture of General Washington, during the dark days of the Revolution, praying in the snow beneath the trees at Valley Forge!! A real acquaintance with some people is like April showers upon the brown, dead sod of winter, or like the sun upon the blossoming earth about us. It brings out all the sweetness and beauty of life. If we discover that our fathers and mothers were made brave, virtuous, patriotic, law abiding, and home builders by the "Little Red Schoolhouse on the hill and the meeting house hard by it," and by the faithful attendance upon town meetings; if we find that these three influences were the first established in the community, and were the most respected forces recognized for the guidance of their lives, then we would do well to direct our steps in those same paths, that patterning after the past, we may have for our posterity a similar

record of accomplishments, and they a like respect for their ancestors.

I think the object of the Society of Middletown Upper Houses may be summarized as in the words of an address at a meeting of the Connecticut Society of the Order of the Founders and Patriots of America on August 6, 1898:

“To have reverent regard for the names, characters, history, and heroism of the founders of this country and their Patriotic Descendants.

“To commemorate and celebrate events in the history of the colonies and of the Republic.

“To inculcate patriotism in the associates and their descendants.

“To secure these ends by bringing together men and women whose ancestors struggled together for life and liberty, home and happiness in this land.”

Yes, it is a delightful faculty of our nature that permits our thoughts, our sympathies, and our happiness to build upon the past, and to reach out into the future. Daniel Webster said: “We *live* in the past by a knowledge of its history, and in the future by hope and anticipation.”

Other associations meet here and there by invitation, by favoring circumstances, or rotation, but *this society* has always held their reunions at *this* early home of their ancestors. We, too, would cultivate the feeling of home here, and feel that we are on the spot where the first scene of our history was laid; where the hearth and altars of New England were first placed. We look around us, and behold the flowing river, the hills, and fertile lands that gladdened the eyes of our Fathers. How beautiful it looked in those early days of the country can be gained from John Adams, who wrote in 1771, while traveling by horseback through this valley, “The Connecticut Valley was the finest ride in America. Nothing can exceed the beauty and fertility of the country. [Note this] Middletown, I think, is the most beautiful of all.” Dr. Timothy Dwight, President of Yale College, in September, 1796, thus described the scenery as he looked upon it from the southward: “Immediately north of the city, lies an extensive interval through which runs a large mill stream. Beyond it, a distance of three miles, appears in full view on the southern declivity of a fine eminence, the handsome village called ‘The Upper Houses.’” A few days later Dr. Dwight passed

through it, and thus described his impression: "The parish, called Upper Houses, is a beautiful tract of fertile land. The village which bears this name, and contains a considerable part of the inhabitants, is a thrifty settlement on the southern declivity of a beautiful hill. The houses, about eighty in number, are generally well built, and the whole place wears an air of sprightness and prosperity. An advantageous trade is carried on by the inhabitants, particularly with the West Indies."

A delightful story of the early days of Cromwell could be written, and, in fact, was written in 1880 by the Rev. M. S. Dudley, but I will only ask your attention for a few moments to a brief description of the land map of the original proprietors of Middletown Upper Houses, that has often appeared in our publications, and which appears on page 6 of this volume.

Traveling by land from Hartford to New Haven, Guilford, and other settlements on the Sound, or by water to Saybrook, Mattabeseke, Middletown Upper Houses early attracted attention. The town meeting records extant begin in 1652; the land grants were first recorded in 1654 to— "Whereon his house standeth," showing they were already established in their houses. The first to come to Upper Houses, 1650 or 1651, were Nathaniel White, Samuel Stocking, George Graves, Robert Webster, Joseph Smith, Matthias Treat, John Savage, and William Blomfield.

Blomfield had served in 1637 against the Indians, and about 1655 left the Upper Houses. Webster, son of Governor John, and ancestor of Noah Webster, became "recorder" in 1654, but returned about 1659 to Hartford, as did George Grave. Both were eminent in founding the "South Church" of Hartford. Smith and Treat returned to Stepney, now Rocky Hill. John<sup>2</sup> Wilcox bought the Smith and Treat homesteads, but soon sold them to Samuel Hall who was his cousin. He, Wilcox, settled in Massachusetts for a few years, but returned to Upper Houses and brought a part of the Thomas Hubbard place. Thomas Ranney took the Grave homestead, and John<sup>2</sup> Warner (Andrew<sup>1</sup>) took the Webster place.

White was on the north side of the street running from Stocking Triangle to the river. Stocking owned on both sides of the street known as Pleasant, his land extending from the river westward beyond Stocking Triangle, which was his property. A few years later came John Kirby on the west side of Pleasant Street, next south of Stocking; then came David Sage, John Wilcox, and Thomas Hubbard, while on the south side of "South Street" was John Savage and Anthony Martin. Hubbard died in 1671, and John Clark, marrying Elizabeth<sup>2</sup> White (Nathaniel<sup>1</sup>),

became the owner of the south half, while John Wilcox owned the north half of the Hubbard grant.

The original layout must have been done with a knowledge of freshet conditions; for the land north of White's strip and the land south of Savage and Martin and Blomfield are covered by spring freshets. West of the homesteads is a small stream, known in early days as "Wilcox Brook" bordered by swamp land, so that the entire settlement was of the nature of an island, which it really was on May 4, 1854, when the Holyoke, Mass., dam gave way.

Samuel Stocking had land nearly opposite this (Baptist) church, and gave it to his daughter, Bethiah, who married Thomas Stow. The land on which this (Baptist) church stands was allotted to John Wilcox, and on it he established his son Samuel. In 1695 this grant was confirmed by town vote to Samuel, and a few rods back of this spot was born Daniel Wilcox who, in the great distribution of the "Northwest quarter" now known as East Berlin, acquired nearly a square mile, and in due time divided it among his fourteen children, giving them each a house, barn, and farm. My father was born and lived on one of them.

We have now, in 1780, White, Stocking, Ranney, Warner, Hall, Savage, Martin, Kirby, Sage, Wilcox, and Clark living on the "Original Layout," while some of the children had married and had settled on land up this street towards Hartford, and on either side of it. In 1687 Edward Shepard was given land next north of this "Samuel Wilcox homestead," having married Abigail Savage.

In 1703 a "North Church Society" was incorporated by the General Assembly, the Warner "homestead" was bought for the "Society," and Rev. David Deming for a few years, and then Rev. Joseph Smith occupied it, holding services and being paid by a tax "rate" on each family. On January 6, 1715 (new style), Mr. Smith was instituted, and the church originated. At this time hardly a name other than those I have recited above had come into the "Upper Houses." All the original settlers had died, while Clark and Stow survived. The cemetery was laid out in January, 1713, and Thomas Ranney died January 21, 1713, and his stone would indicate that his was the first burial.

Let me now sketch as briefly as I may, an account of the beginnings of our Society, and some of the things we have accomplished.

In 1711, and two weeks before his death at eighty-two, Nathaniel White, who had represented the town of Middletown in the Great and General Court for forty-two and one-half years, and



who had led in the contest to have the Upper Houses receive their share of the town's school tax money, and had succeeded by the action of this court in 1709, *made his will* giving *one-fourth* of his interest in the common and undivided land of the town to the "Schools already established." These were the "Town School," whose schoolhouse stood in the middle of the Main Street of Middletown, and the school in the Upper Houses. This schoolhouse undoubtedly stood on the green south of the Baptist Church in which we are now assembled.

The district system prevailed here until 1901, when the Legislature gave permission to issue bonds for the erection of a fine edifice. The name, "The Nathaniel White Public School," chosen by unanimous vote of the town on January 6, 1902, had been suggested by Mr. Adams, who had devoted much time to a study of local history including that of the Patriots of 1776. In 1902 he obtained from the Connecticut Society of the Sons of the American Revolution bronze markers, about thirty in number, for those patriots whose graves here are marked with a stone, and at the same time he planned to have a reunion on Bunker Hill Day of descendants of the early families, but deferred his plan till 1903. On Bunker Hill Day, 1903, a reunion, mostly of the Ranney clan was held, and a boulder was dedicated to the Patriots of '76, born here, but buried elsewhere, some on the battlefields, some from the prison ships, some from hospitals, while others had survived and removed to other settlements. So that every patriot credited with a birth in the Upper Houses was honored by this boulder, which, in the distant past, an iceberg or glacier had dropped on the land which became the homestead of John Kirby. This boulder had been placed outside the old cemetery grounds. Children carrying flags stood about it and were photographed, and some recited. From the platform, erected near by, addresses were made by various ones, and a photograph was taken of some fifty persons grouped about the headstone and granite block at the grave of Thomas Ranney, the only Founder who lived to see a cemetery laid out in the Upper Houses. The granite rock which rests on his grave had been a part of a huge glacier of which he had been the first white owner, and which had been brought from "Timber Hill" of which he had been the first "proprietor." Here the Ranney Memorial and Historical Association was founded, with Mr. R. B. Ranney of New Castle, Penn., as president, he having suggested the formation of such an association in a letter which had a substantial cash gift in it, as an earnest of his interest, and with Mr. S. O. Ranney and Mr. C. K. Ranney as vice presidents.

In 1904, on Bunker Hill Day, a much larger celebration was held, and the mortar and shells were added to the memorial to the Patriots of '76. Mansfield Post, No. 53, G. A. R., and its Women's Relief Corps, with the Post's Drum Corps, made up from its veteran members, about one hundred in all, and about two hundred children, led the descendants in the procession to the cemetery where the mortar and shells were unveiled by two misses, one of whom was descended from four patriots buried here. Honors were paid to the dead heroes. Returning to the Baptist Church, exercises were held, and addresses were made by a number. It was decided to change the name to "The Society of Middletown Upper Houses," as the Ranney name gave the impression that the association was only for descendants of Thomas Ranney.

In 1905 we met on July 19, with the thermometer at 94°. You know just what we did that day, including the incorporating of the Society, and making as charter members everyone who had at any time contributed at least one dollar.

At each of these reunions tables were spread in Briggs Hall, and the ladies of Cromwell provided a dinner, receiving only our thanks for what labor they had experienced to make our home coming a hearty "Welcome."

But so hearty had been the courtesy of the pastors and people of this church in opening its doors to us, that it occurred to a few that electric lights would properly express our appreciation of this courtesy, and so electricity has been the Baptist "Standard" since then. This year the ladies of the Baptist Choir and their friends undertook to prepare the feast of fat things for our welcome, and we recognized this hospitality by decreeing that they should be the beneficiaries of our price of admission to their board and generosity.

Those who were here in 1905 saw the memorial to the Patriots located near the cemetery, while the granite and bronze memorial to the Founders, Fathers, and Pastors was on "Stocking Triangle." To-day they have been seen side by side on "Stocking Triangle," and their silence speaks to every passer-by. These Fathers, Founders, Pastors, and Patriots "Being dead yet speak."

To honor the "Church Green" for the uses to which it was put to in early days our Society has set out twenty-one maple trees, and may the days to come witness our children and grandchildren gathering beneath their shade.

Our Society is supported by voluntary contributors, etc., but we have a system of creating Life Membership and our Certificate seeks to honor all our ancestors through its various features, etc.

Our sixteen page pamphlet, issued May 1, tells our condition at the time of its issue.

There has also been completed, and is now in course of publication by the well-known genealogical Grafton Press of New York, a book of the several clans that settled Middletown Upper Houses. This is mainly the work of our efficient secretary, Mr. Charles Collard Adams. He has labored with some considerable co-operation from many, yet in the face of great indifference and lukewarmness from others who should have felt honored to assist in such a meritorious object. The edition is limited. Every family of the descendants of our worthy ancestors should have a copy of the book for their own use, and as a family record for their children.

In conclusion, I apologize for the length to which I have run in addressing you. Probably my interest in my subject has overtopped a better judgment. The Society has an honorable record up to date. May it go on to greater honors, and may our days indeed "Be long in the land which has been given to us."

#### ASHER RILEY AND HIS TRIBE

The Rev. James Riley Johnson, D. D.

The family Bibles of early settlers, in New England, were alike counted sacred as records of religion and family names. In the old Asher Riley Bible, now in my possession, it is written that, "Asher Riley and Rebecca Sage were married in A. D. 1773," and the birthday and name of each of their thirteen children are supplemented. That Rebecca Sage was my maternal grandmother, and a sister of Russell Sage's paternal grandfather, therefore, Russell Sage and I were second cousins, he being my senior, by birth, one and a half years, and sixty million dollars in advance of me financially at death! The fourth child of Asher Riley and Rebecca Sage was James, who grew to stalwart manhood in the section of his birthplace. Here he married, and four children were added to his home. He worked his way into the seafaring business, and sailed, commander of his own vessel, between New York and foreign ports. Outward bound he was storm-wrecked on the barren coast of Africa, losing his ship and cargo. He and his crew were seized as slaves by wild Arabs and horribly treated for two years. Ransomed by a noble English officer, William Willshire, he returned to New York, broken in health and fortune. He wrote his "Narrative" of slavery in Africa in 1817, which was published here and in England, and widely read here and abroad. Captain Riley then abandoned marine business, went out to northwestern Ohio, entered a section of wild land, laid out the

village of Willshire, built a mill, surveyed lands, was elected to the Staate Legislature, and was a stirring man until his health was impaired by the damp climate. He moved back to New York City, regained health, and returned to sea life between New York and the West Indies. In an out-bound trip as commander of his commercial freighted vessel he died, and was buried at sea, near the Isle of St. Thomas, in 1840.

The family of Captain Riley inherited much of his mental power and natural aptitudes. His son, James Watson, has sons, now active bankers in Ohio, and his daughters, Mrs. Ashley in Denver, Colo., and Mrs. Hodder in Boston, Mass., are cultured and refined women. His other son, William Willshire, left no offspring.

The descendants of the other sons and daughters of the Rileys, so far as I have known, have been worthy without exception. Some families are widely scattered through the States, some may try still to honor New York City; and if the average citizens of Worcester, Mass., equal those toned with the blood, nobility, social instincts, and graces of the "Riley colony on and about Bigelow Hill," that city must be a second Paradise!

The only pre-eminent Riley of our family stock was the late Right Rev. Doctor Henry Chauncey Riley, D. D., LL. D., Bishop of Mexico for thirty years, who died there in 1904. He was born in Chile, 1834, educated in Spanish until seventeen, then entered Columbia University, N. Y., and was graduated, studied more in England, saw the Holy Land, and soon after commenced his Episcopal ministry in Mexico City. Mexico, by revolution, became a republic. Church and state were then separated, and some church properties were confiscated and sold at auction. Dr. Riley bought the "Church of Jesus." When he took possession of it, one wing was occupied as a stable, the other by a circus, and the main body by rubbish. He put the property in order, and soon had a hearing by the multitude. He organized forty missions, with native leaders. Sixteen years ago he visited me in Nyack, and lectured on Mexico. He was a splendid specimen as a man, refined and gifted as an orator, and spent his fortune of \$300,000, and died poor. We embraced lovingly when he left me to return, and died in Mexico.

The early families of Sages, Montagues, Savages, Ranneys, and Johnsons did much to give form and history to old Connecticut. Some branches moved west to gain the advantages of new lands. My parents were of this adventurous class, moving from here to Mount Vernon, Ohio, where I was born, January 30, 1818. I am bound by blood and historic environment to Rev. Dr. Samuel



A. M. WARD AND WIFE, DELIA BIDWELL  
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WARD GRISWOLD CAMERON  
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Johnson and his son, William Samuel Johnson of Connecticut, successive presidents of the then "Kings College," in New York, now Columbia University; to Rev. Joseph H. Johnson, Episcopal Bishop of Los Angeles, California, relative; and Dr. Riley, late Bishop of Mexico, and the late financial Russell Sage, whose body sleeps in a steel encasement, and dear ones living. Yet, in hope and sympathy, my country is the world, and my kindred are all mankind.

As for my own personality, you can know but little. I have been in the ministry sixty-five years, have been on school boards twenty years, have been a legislator in Massachusetts, a lecturer for the Maryland Institute in Baltimore, have built churches, begged for colleges and charities, have been active in reforms, in lodges of the humanities, have voted at every presidential election from 1840, have heard the church bells toll for all of our departed presidents but General George Washington, have two daughters, one son, four grandchildren, have noted our national growth from ten to eighty millions, and yet keenly love and live.

#### ARMORIALS OF OUR ANCESTORS

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In every age, from prehistoric to the present time, symbolism has entered largely into the life of the world's inhabitants. Nearly all objects found in nature have been incorporated at some period in the distinguishing marks of individuals or communities. According to the Biblical story Jacob gave to each of his children marks of distinction, as to Judah, a lion; the eagle was the symbol of the Romans, an owl of the Athenians; clan badges have been taken from native shrubs and flowers, while the bear, the turtle, and other animals distinguished tribes of North American Indians.

But although the desire for distinction has always been an attribute of the human mind, it is difficult to assign the exact period at which this desire, expressed in an individual cognizance, took the form of armorial ornament. Although the symbols used from remote periods of history were the precursors of the system of heraldry, the science as known to us was not organized as a reward of merit and with hereditary features until about the middle of the thirteenth century.

The crusades undoubtedly aided this development as a means of distinction between individuals and nations, yet their actual effect in regard to organization has undoubtedly been overestimated. The importance of the system in connection with the

tournament, as well as with actual warfare, was early apparent, and, during the age of chivalry, strict rules were formulated. Officers, or heralds, were appointed whose business it was not only to emblazon coats-of-arms and arrange the details of the joust, but to attend to everything connected with real warfare.

Arms were assumed at will, but, if a man presumed to use those pre-empted by another, the one with prior claim sought means of redress exactly as if other valuable property had been stolen. However, the use of armorials was not really properly regulated until 1483, when the heralds, forming into a society, were incorporated by charter. In them was vested the power to grant arms to persons of newly acquired consequence, for arms were now looked upon as *marks of gentility*, rather than as *warlike emblems*. With the development of military science and the formation of a standing army, the decline of heraldry was rapid. By the beginning of the sixteenth century it was already passing into the so-called "*paper stage*."

Although the application of armorials to-day can only be considered from the standpoint of this "paper stage," and for modern individuals their use is restricted to mere marks of gentility, yet, in order that no blunders be made by either men or women in using them, it is advisable to study their evolution, and consider the practical application of the various parts of an armorial achievement during the period of actuality. The pictorial representation is called an "achievement-at-arms," because by knightly deeds the honor of arms was achieved.

In the analysis of an achievement the shield is the most important object. When pictured, in heraldic nomenclature this is called an escutcheon. Embellishment in the heraldic manner came into use at the time of Richard I. Undoubtedly many of the strange designs adopted at this period were of Eastern origin, the inheritance from remote antiquity, brought to the notice of warriors while taking part in the crusades. The adjustment of a scarf worn upon the person, or the placing of a bar of wood or boss to reinforce and strengthen the shield were also alike suggestive of ornamental lines. Other designs referred to some act of the bearer, the memory of which was deemed by his superiors worthy of perpetuation.

It is any design depicted upon the shield to which reference is made in describing a coat-of-arms. The device borne upon the shield, therefore, is the *insignia* of the family (see plate 1), and, at the period of actual use, this same design was often woven or embroidered on the surcoat and worn over the armor by the man to whom the arms or device belonged. By the laws of heraldry



no other person was allowed to use this device, except members of his immediate family. The wife, the sons, and the daughters shared the right, and were allowed to wear the arms, but, in the case of descendants, duly differenced to show what relationship the wearer held to the head of the house.

In the fourteenth century, when heraldry was at its fullest splendor, a man's every possession, useful or ornamental, was linked to him in an heraldic manner. The members of his



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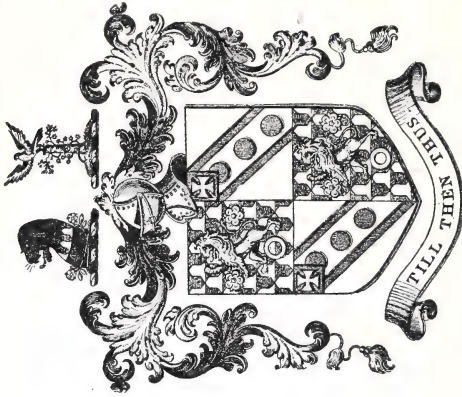
FIGURE 1. Arrangement for a commoner, a plain shield displaying insignia of one family. It is surmounted by a crest upon its torse, twist, or wreath. Underneath is the motto upon its ribbon.

family displayed his arms embroidered upon robes of baudequin, samite, siclaton, and cendal,\* and woven into the rich hangings which adorned his walls the emblem was repeated again and again, and each of his sons, as he reached the proper age, proudly

\* Baudequin, a variation of cloth-of-gold, a substantial material for dresses, vestments, palls, and canopies of thrones. Samite, a thick, silky substance, woven of six threads with a streak of gold running through. All kings in the Middle Ages used quantities. Edward I.'s nobles bought from the royal wardrobe. Siclaton, a thinner, lighter silk used for surcoats on festal occasions. Cendal and taffeta were silky substances less costly.

bore upon his own shield the same device, a device which he in turn would transmit as a most precious heritage to his own legal heirs. Arbitrary laws were early evolved, and are still in force, in regard to the marshalling or arrangement of the insignia, and the use of the accessories of the shield.

For Americans interest is confined to the rules governing commoners. For this reason supporters—the two figures sometimes placed at either side of the shield—and other accessories which



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FIG. 3.

FIGURE 2. Arms of the Duke of Leinster with supporters appearing on each side of the shield. The ducal crown is substituted for a helmet and torse, and upon this rests the crest.

FIGURE 3. Full achievement at arms suitably arranged for a commoner. Upon the shield the insignia of two families is quartered denoting inheritance in the maternal line also from an heiress in heraldic sense. From the helmet flows ornamental mantling. There are two wreaths each surmounted by a crest. The motto appears upon its ribbon.

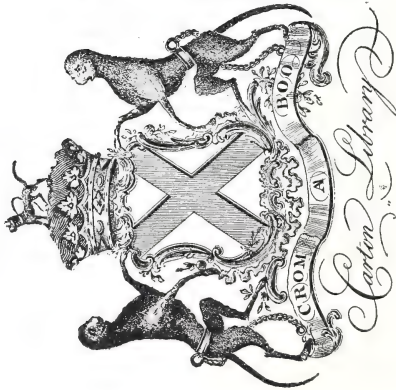


FIG. 2.

belong exclusively to the nobility must never appear in the achievement of an American gentleman (see plate 2, Duke of Leinster). He may, however, with his shield, use a helmet supporting the crest upon its torse or wreath, the ornamental mantling, and the motto upon the ribbon (see plate 3).

After marriage the arms of his wife's family are impaled with his own for the use of himself and wife, and would appropriately appear, together with the crest and other accessories, upon the architectural decoration of the home, upon the door panels of the carriage, or upon any article of common property. If, however, the wife wishes to ornament any of her individual possessions with coat-armor, she must forego the use of all the accessories, and use the shield alone upon which the insignia would be marshalled exactly as for the use of her husband. If she desires extra ornamentation, an especially appropriate design would be to suspend the masculine shield from a feminine bowknot (see plate 4). It

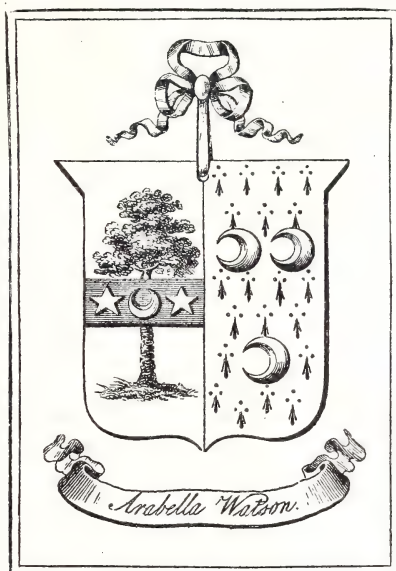


FIGURE 4. The arms of a husband and wife. The coats of two families impaled. *i. e.*, placed side by side upon a shield which has been divided in half by a vertical line. The wife correctly uses the shield alone without any of the accessories.

cannot too strongly be emphasized that wifehood is the only condition in which it is allowable for a woman to use a shield. The lozenge or diamond-shaped surface, first used in England in 1284, is the form upon which all widows and spinsters should display the family insignia (see plates 5 and 6).

Regarding the law of inheritance—no person can legally use coat-armor belonging to an ancestor in the maternal line. If

my mother belonged to an armigerous family, I may, if I wish, hang a copy of the arms of that family upon the wall with other relics, but I have no right to use the device as a distinguishing mark upon my notepaper or silver. Armorials are not transmitted through a daughter; the one exception to this rule refers to women who are heiresses in the heraldic sense (see plate 3). The matter of family use, too, in which the daughters have an equal

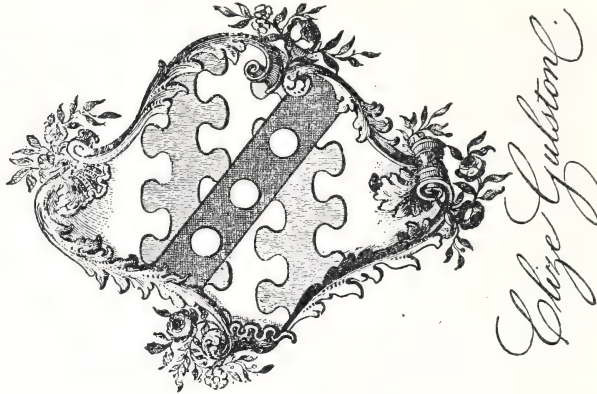


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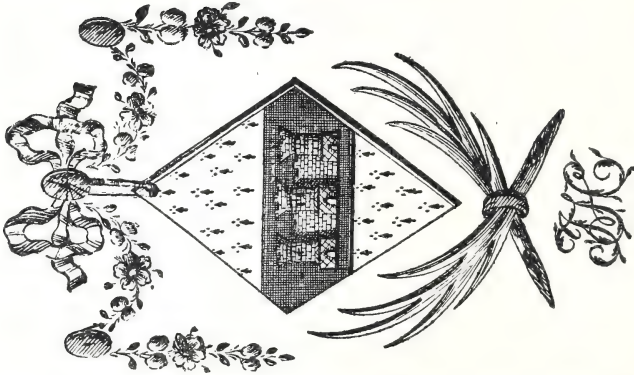


FIG. 5.

FIGURE 5. A woman's lozenge suspended from a bowknot. It has in addition for ornamentation a delicate arrangement of blossoms and palm branches.

FIGURE 6. An ornamental form of a woman's lozenge.

share for life with their brothers was, in the period of actuality, necessarily restricted to the device or insignia alone. For this reason the absurdity will be apparent of the assumption to-day by women of other parts of an achievement-at-arms.

From the nature of their origin all the accessories of the shield appertain to men. Chief to be considered is the crest. This part of an achievement came into general use only about the beginning

of the sixteenth century. Earlier than this its use was restricted to knights and men of high rank. As an ornament, it must have been a cumbrous thing to carry. It was sometimes carved from a block of light wood, oftener modeled from boiled leather with parts made from canvas, and its size was incongruous in comparison with the helmet upon which it rested. It is not probable, however, that discomfiture in wearing so heavy a headpiece was entailed upon the owner for any great length of time. In actual battle the crest was undoubtedly laid aside, and only in the tournament did warriors face each other with their helmets surmounted by an enormous scaly dragon, or proud-stepping leopard. But no lady of high degree made demand of her true knight that she might wear his helmet, and forsooth, had she done so, in being denied, she would have been questioned: "Wherefore? Would you leave your honorable place of vantage and become a challenger?" So it needs only a small amount of reflection for a woman of the present day to understand why the dictum goes forth that she may use neither the helmet nor its special ornament, the crest, for why should one assume the pictorial use of objects to which in their actual working use one may not aspire?

An erroneous idea also prevails among many people that a crest may be assumed by a man when no right to a full coat exists. This is an absurdity, for whereas many coats have no crests, no crest exists independent of the insignia, and no man has a right to use a crest unless he has a legal inheritance in the whole armorial achievement of which the crest is a component part.

During the reign of Henry VIII. the importance of heraldry in regard to giving genealogical information was recognized, and the work of collecting data was begun. The heralds were ordered to make visitations to different localities in England for the purpose of collecting all available information. During these circuits, which were held every twenty-five years, the kings-of-arms were attended by various assistants, including a draughtsman, and the registers kept during their progress contain the lineage and arms of titled and untitled persons signed by the heads of families. The unlawful user of armorials received humiliating punishment by order of the heralds, and the illegal arms were destroyed. All the valuable information thus acquired has been preserved. Many of the original manuscript volumes, dating from 1530 to 1687, are in the library of the College of Arms, but copies with some originals are in the British Museum. Few of the gentle families were left unregistered, and it would be almost impossible to-day to prove an ancestral right to a coat-of-arms not appearing in these records.

But the study of heraldry implies much more than mere investigation to prove the right to ornament one's possessions with hereditary symbols. The personal note is of but minor importance considered in relation to the wide field of research. Although a survival from medieval times heraldry is still alive and progressive, and should not to-day be classed with alchemy and astrology, as no longer worthy of serious study. Students of history and literature and art should acquire more than a superficial knowledge of a science which so greatly stimulates the imagination.

The terms of its nomenclature are in common use by many authors. Allusions, too apt and poetic to be lost, are to be found in the words of Shakespeare, Walter Scott, Chaucer, Spenser, Tennyson, Dante, Ariosto, Tasso, and many other writers. Heraldic emblems, also, appear upon seals used by schools, universities, corporations, and the departments of the government. The flags, as well as the seals, of countries, provinces, and states are of like nature, and no educated person can well be without the rudiments of the science to which these devices belong.

As the handmaid of art, heraldry affords many beautiful forms, illustrated in the illumination of antique manuscripts and books, the decoration of stained glass, paintings, effigies, brasses, banners, and old silver, and in the embroideries upon vestments, furniture, draperies, book-bindings, and other objects of artistic value. The traveler in Europe will be more appreciative of Gothic architecture if able to interpret those heraldic features which have survived to the present day.

During the Commonwealth armorials were the marks for vindictive mutilation. Often ornaments which accompanied them were spared, but the arms themselves were attacked with rancor. However these scenes of destruction were not witnessed by our ancestors.

The great exodus from England had placed the ocean-wide distance between the colonists of New England and the iconoclasts among Cromwell's adherents in the home land, and family tradition, as well as more tangible evidence, demonstrates the esteem and veneration felt for shield and crest by the men who first colonized America. In establishing a new home beyond the sea there was in the minds of the Puritans no thought of removing class distinction. In seeking liberty for themselves and their descendants, their idea was not to establish universal equality, and armorials, more than anything else, were associated in their minds with the idea of caste and aristocracy.

It is only necessary to consider who these men were and what they represented to feel certain that the majority among them

using coats-of-arms, during the first period of the colonies in New England had every right to them, and conformed in their use to the laws then in force in the homeland. It is well known that among the pioneers were men of high social standing, the near kin of the greatest men of the day, who in England had lived in honor and affluence. They were entirely unlike ordinary colonists, having nothing in common with the immigrants of later years, but came to the new world in large communities with their plans of government fully matured. Among their number were men of culture, possessing the superior innate qualities which would have tended to distinguish individuals, had they remained in England. There were clergymen, physicians, magistrates, and military officers, and they possessed horses, cattle, and other property.

It is true that spirituality was the dominant note in the character of the settlers, and that they considered the invisible to be of more importance than the visible. The desire to establish a church and state, according to their ideals, outweighed the love for ancestral homes, but coexistent with their deep religious feeling was also the fundamental pride of family and race.

The seals used by the colonists and much of their plate were engraved with coats-of-arms. These, with paintings and mortuary inscriptions, give us to-day the clues for research in this line.

The historian of the Ancient and Honorable Artillery Company says: "Military distinction and heraldry were the only appendages of monarchical government tolerated in the province of Massachusetts Bay. The armorial bearings emblazoned in water colors and neatly framed, which were the only ornaments in nearly every house, were justified by the declaration in the Book of Numbers that 'Every man of the children of Israel shall pitch by his own standard with the ensign of his father's house'" ("History of the Ancient and Honorable Artillery Company," by Oliver Ayer Roberts, vol. i. p. 6.)

Upon the ancient gravestones appear coats-of-arms, often with the added word, "Armiger." Among others in Connecticut, that in memory of Gershom Bulkeley, dated 1713, is in the old Wethersfield yard. He was the father of the Rev. Gershom Bulkeley, pastor of the North Society here in Cromwell from 1778 to 1808, and an ancestor of the wife of Rev. Mr. Adams, our Society's secretary. Impressions from seals are found upon letters, bonds, wills, and documents settling estates. Among such are the personal seals of the Governors of Connecticut.

On the will, dated August 1, 1705, of Samuel Eells, of Hing-

ham, Mass., father of Nathaniel Eells, one of the early settlers in the Middletown Upper Houses, appears the impression of the coat-of-arms used by him. This is one of the coats called *armes parlantes*, punning, or canting, which reveal the owner's name. In this case the device consists of three eels. Also of antiquarian interest to Cromwell families, whether the right of individuals to use them is, or is not, established, are the arms of the families of Ranney, Sage, Gilbert, Kirby, Stow, and Stoughton.

Of special interest is the document called the Gore roll of arms. This is a list of names with the description of the arms used by the different families therein mentioned, and was probably compiled by John Gore, a carriage painter in Boston. The earliest coat recorded is dated 1701, the latest, 1724. The list is thought to be the notebook referring to hatchments, as this use of armorials was in vogue at that period, and the dates appended to the shields coincide with the date of the death of the bearers.

Among men using armorials during the late colonial period were George Washington, who used an inherited coat-of-arms, and Benjamin Franklin, who was the subject for a new grant.

Following a custom established among the first colonists of the United States, an American of the present day certainly has a precedent established for the use of his family emblem. It is not alone the descendant of Puritans who is justified in the use of the "ensign of his father's house"; the aristocracy of America derives its origin from the founders of the different colonies. The Puritans of New England, the Cavaliers of Virginia, the Lords of the Manor of New York, the Huguenot exiles, and the quietly clad Quakers—among all of these pioneers in different parts of eastern America were undoubtedly many armigers. In the years which have followed the first colonization, the number having legitimate right to coat-armor has been augmented by other arrivals, and all Americans to-day who can prove descent in the direct male line from armigerous ancestors in European countries have, with their cousins *outré mer*, an equal right to the use of the family insignia.

In the use of arms Americans should be guided by the customs of England. America is governed by English common law, and the official language is English. The United States was settled under English rule, and armorials were then first introduced in conformity to English heraldic law. It follows that in America to-day, in the lack of any local authority, the use of armorials should be governed by the laws of the English Herald's College. The first law to be considered concerns the legitimate right to a certain insignia and crest. Whoever uses a coat-of-arms an-



nounces his direct descent from the first grantee, and should be able to prove this descent exactly as if it were a title to land.

If it is proved that the colonial ancestor used coat-armor, it is altogether probable that his right will be found recorded in *Heralds' College*. Such use, however, is not positive proof of legality, for there is evidence that some among the colonists were mistaken in their assumption. It is advisable to-day for Americans desiring to use coat-armor to have research made, and their right verified by application to *Heralds' College, England*, where by payment of a reasonable fee, the matter will be settled officially. This is especially necessary because individuals in the generations succeeding the first settlers have, by their ignorance in assuming arms, attracted to this country the reproach of an English authority, who declares that more assumptive arms are borne in the United States than anywhere else.

In excuse, ignorant tradesmen are much to blame, who, as self-styled heralds, often supply spurious arms, copying from some publication armorials of a family of the same name. It cannot be too clearly emphasized that identity of name does not argue identity of origin. There is no such thing as a coat-of-arms belonging to a particular surname. Arms as a distinguishing mark are hereditary only in the family of the grantee, or one who first assumed them. Relatives or namesakes have no claim to share with him. One of the first native engravers to place a stigma upon American heraldry was Nathaniel Hurd, who flourished about 1750. But, whereas many of the arms he supplied were bogus, in some cases his work had a legitimate foundation.

This much cannot be said of some later craftsmen. A father and son named Coles, who worked from 1776 to 1813, were ready to supply arms to all who would employ them. The work of these men has many distinguishing marks, among others the use for decoration of palm branches beneath the shield; the phrase "By the name of Smith," or "Jones," as the case may be, placed upon the motto ribbon; the badly painted helmet often done in colors, whereas the inflexible rule is that it should be of steel; and the ignorant formation of the wreath. Often the latter will be topped by an American flag in place of the legitimate crest, a most apparent absurdity.

An almost total disuse of arms during the following years led to greater ignorance, and when, about 1860, there occurred a revival of the fashion, arms were used profusely with absolute disregard of authority. To assume arms which have not at some period been sanctioned by a college of arms is illegal, and the arms

are bogus. The man who uses such insignia is a fit subject for ridicule.

But if he makes of himself a laughing-stock, a still greater offender is one who assumes the legal arms of another. By the adoption of the heraldic bearings of European families, or by the assumption by one American of the arms of a fellow-countryman of the same name, the usurper makes himself liable to the gravest charge. In England common law still recognizes the rightful ownership of armorials. Because in America offenders are not in reach of such a law, yet more scrupulous heed should be taken not to offend, and society should punish with the greatest contempt those who persistently violate that which is law in other lands.

It is not, however, entirely on moral grounds that great stress should be laid on the necessity of honorable dealing in this matter. Along with the carefully preserved records of town and church the armorials of our ancestors should give valuable assistance to the genealogist. It is, therefore, of the highest importance that no interchange or assumption of illegal arms take place. A greater insult cannot be offered to an honored ancestor than to announce in the wrong use of arms descent from an altogether different, though perhaps contemporaneous, person. But the false assumption of arms is not merely an insult to our ancestors, it is an even more grievous wrong done to posterity. As this becomes better understood, more scrupulous attention will be paid to the laws of heraldry.

The history of a country is made from the history of individuals. The ancestry of individuals taken collectively becomes the ancestry of a people. So genealogy in its broadest scope is of the utmost importance to the historian. In the interest of authentic history alone, even so minor a detail as the use of armorials in the United States cannot be ignored. The revival in heraldry is not the least important feature of the increasing interest taken in family history. A course in heraldry should be introduced in advanced schools, to be given in conjunction with the study of art and history. But above all some official action should be taken to regulate the personal use of armorials, and to safeguard in some manner from the undignified attack of ignorant pretenders the history of the families so closely linked to the history of the country itself.

Surely the emblem revered by our forefathers as a memorial of the home in some fair English shire, and preserved oftentimes as the only link connecting the offspring of an honored line with those of his own kin left beyond the sea—surely the device which gives the personal touch of warm color to the gray-toned early

history of our country is as worthy of preservation as is the roof-tree which sheltered our pioneer ancestor living, or the gravestone which marks the last resting place of the honored dead!

#### EXAMPLE OF NATHANIEL WHITE

The Hon. William J. Barber

To you who have attended for years these gatherings I have no doubt Nathaniel White and Samuel Stocking, Thomas Ranney and John Warner, John Wilcox and Thomas Hubbard are relatives, friends and acquaintances; better known in their daily life of two hundred and fifty years ago than your own neighbors are to you to-day. But to some of us, who have not had the opportunity of association with these stalwart sons of those early days, it is fitting that we take up the life of one of them to-day somewhat in detail.

Nathaniel White, born in England about 1629, son of Elder John White, arrived in Boston with his father September 16, 1632. In 1635 they removed to Hartford. So says the record. But imagine, for a moment, what this means to the coming man. His father had seen those stirring times in the mother country that led, during Nathaniel's young manhood, to the days of Oliver Cromwell and Charles the Second. The narrow life of those early days must have brought out the ability, in those who had seen the life in England, to picture in words the everyday scenes of that far-away world. To the one of whom we write, who had left the old world at too early an age to have any recollection of it, what a fairyland the great cities must have appeared. The farthest stretch of our imagination gives us but a faint idea of the situation: he was a child when the city of Hartford was born, and he grew up in the very heart of a nature so vast and solemn that it must have had its effect on his life. Surrounded on all sides by foes, in danger of privation and famine, menaced by the Indian who was already looking with jealous eye on the pushing white man, these but served to bring out the sturdy manhood that developed as time went on. Among the first to move from Hartford to settle at Middletown, halfway from Hartford to Saybrook, casting his lot with those who settled "north of the 'riverett,'" we find this son of Elder John White, a leader from the very first. His education was, no doubt, thorough for the time and place, but would be considered anything but complete at the present day. What would he not have given to have had the advantages that the youth of the present day enjoy? Restricted

to a few books, no doubt he knew these well, and I do not doubt that his knowledge of the one great book, the Bible, was far greater than that of the average youth of to-day. October 15, 1659, sees Nathaniel White, thirty-three years of age, elected as delegate to the General Assembly which met spring and fall in Hartford. We can see the young man as he journeys toward the town to the north—for at that day its title of capital was unknown—coming to that Assembly with an honest pride, because he was one of the representatives of the young town of Middletown. The fact that he was not an unknown man at that early day is shown by his being chosen a member of the grand jury. He must have done his work as a member of the Assembly well, for, while the record with characteristic Puritanical severity shows no praise of work accomplished, continued reappointment shows the confidence of the people of the Middletown Upper Houses. In 1669 he was appointed commissioner for Middletown, and in 1674 is first referred to as "Mr." Nathaniel White. He also had the title of ensign, and that it was not an empty title is shown by the fact that in the spring of 1675 he was in command of nine men from Middletown to guard a ship, sailing to Hartford, from attacks by the Indians. In 1677 he was lieutenant, and in 1690 captain, of the Middletown train band, the only Cromwell inhabitant of that time to receive the title. A church was organized in 1668, and Nathaniel White was chosen to assist the minister in the ordination of the deacons by the ceremony of the laying on of hands. Unquestionably he was the most distinguished of all the settlers of Middletown, eighty-five times a member of the General Assembly, the last time in May, 1710, when he was eighty-one years old. Much of his success in life was due to the careful training given him by his father who was known as a learned man. That Captain Nathaniel White appreciated the value of education is shown by a clause in his will, dated about two weeks before his death, as follows: "What of my right of undivided lands, may be deemed my right: my will is that one fourth part thereof be and remain for the use of the public schools already agreed upon in the town of Middletown forever," which included the "town" school in lower Middletown, and the district school in the "North Society."

When Cromwell in 1902 erected a central school building that is a great credit to the town the town meeting very properly named it after this illustrious man, who spent his home life almost within sound of my voice.

The effect of such a life is never ending. Long after he is forgotten his influence still goes on, and, no doubt, the boy or

girl of Cromwell to-day is given a better preparation for the work of life through the public spirit and foresight of Captain Nathaniel White.

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Charles Collard Adams, M. A.

A few years after the settlement of the Upper Houses, there came John Kirby and his wife and John Wilcox and his wife, and these made their homes on the west side of what is known as Pleasant Street. Then David Sage came from Hartford, and was given five acres, "for a home lot," where the bank and other buildings stand. But he must have had in view the taking of a wife unto himself, and to be near her home he planted himself on the town pound, measuring 66 feet by  $49\frac{1}{2}$  feet, which stood between the Kirby and Wilcox homesteads. On this pound, laid out in 1655 for the impounding of stray cattle, he built him a house. The town meeting appointed a committee to wait on him, and demand a settlement. In due time there was recorded to him these "twelve square rods on which his house standeth." He then traded his five acres for a part of the Kirby home lot, and had his holdings extended in the rear, so that when he died, in 1703, his homestead consisted of  $8\frac{3}{4}$  acres, valued at £52, the "Mansion" house being valued at £60, and the barn at £12. His entire possessions included over 800 acres. His tombstone is in Riverside Cemetery, Middletown. He married in February, 1664, Elizabeth Kirby, born September 8, 1646, in Hartford. To them were born David, Elizabeth, and John. She died "about the 23d year of her life." He then turned to the other side of his home, and married Mary Wilcox, to whom were born five children. The oldest child by the second marriage was Mary Sage, born November 15, 1672, who died May 8, 1727, in Guilford, having married November 7, 1694, Deacon Samuel Johnson of Guilford, born June 5, 1670, died 1727, the son of Deacon William Johnson of Guilford. Of the eleven children of Mary Sage and Deacon Samuel Johnson, the second son was Samuel Johnson, born October 14, 1696, and who died Jan. 6, 1772, and of whom I am to speak.

It is stated by Dr. Beardsley in his history that Samuel Johnson studied for six months with the Rev. Joseph Smith, who was the first settled pastor in the Upper Houses, but who had officiated here some years before a church was organized on January 6, 1715. Mr. Smith had graduated at Harvard, had had considerable experience in teaching, had been pastor in New Jersey, and had

officiated in the society at Horse Neck, Greenwich. He succeeded here the Rev. David Deming. Timothy<sup>2</sup> Sage, who had inherited the Sage homestead across the street from Rev. Joseph Smith must have had his nephew, Samuel Johnson, in his family, while the lad recited across the street to Rev. Joseph Smith.

Dr. Beardsley states that Rev. Joseph Smith was not a very competent teacher. Perhaps the lad was very precocious, for he entered Yale in 1710, and was graduated in 1714. Dr. Cutler, for some years pastor at Stratford, had become rector of Yale College. Johnson, first a tutor, had become the first pastor of the Congregational Church at West Haven, a suburb of New Haven. While a lad at Guilford, a Mr. Smithson had given him a prayer book and Johnson must have been a deep student of its pages. On his death bed he said, "There are no prayers like those of my mother, the Church of England." Dr. Beardsley states that he committed these prayers to memory, and used them, as occasion required, in public worship, alike to the comfort of himself and to the comfort and edification of his flock. It is related that it was common for persons belonging to the neighboring parishes to come to West Haven on purpose to hear him pray, not dreaming that he was using prayers out of a book. He conferred with his friends, the neighboring pastors, in the library of Yale College, which had been removed from Saybrook to New Haven, and where they had access to some works by Church of England authors. As a result seven, of whom Rector Cutler, a graduate of Harvard, was one, were not satisfied with the validity of their non-Episcopal orders. On September 13, 1722, they addressed a letter to others whom they had met in the library, and who had asked them to state their difficulties in writing. As a result the General Assembly of the Colony, church and state being one, was called together, Governor Saltonstall, himself a Congregational clergyman, presiding, and a day was spent in trying to convince these seven that their doubts were groundless. Rector Cutler, Johnson, Brown, the tutor and a native of West Haven, and James Wetmore, pastor at North Haven, but a native of Middletown, went to England to receive Episcopal ordination. President Woolsey, in his Historical Discourse at the one hundred and fiftieth anniversary of the institution, said: "I suppose that greater alarm would scarcely be awakened now, if the Theological Faculty of the College were to declare for the Church of Rome, avow their belief in Transubstantiation, and pray to the Virgin Mary."

Mr. Brown died of smallpox just after his ordination. Rector Cutler went to Christ Church, Boston, as its rector, and served them forty years. Mr. Wetmore went to Rye, New York, and was

there thirty-six years. An Episcopal Mission had been established in Stratford in 1707, and was supported by the Society for the Propagation of the Gospel in Foreign Parts. Services, however, were intermittent for some years. Mr. Johnson arrived there November 5, 1723. The church edifice had not been completed. He was there to see the second completed in 1758. During the years that he served in Stratford, he traveled extensively, baptizing, administering Holy Communion, preaching, teaching, founding parishes and missions. He led over thirty Congregational pastors to go to England to be ordained in the Church of England. He made frequent visits to West Haven, where from his leaving it there were some families who adhered to the Church of England. But it was not until 1740 that a church edifice, the seventh of the seven, to witness to the labors of Samuel Johnson. I may be permitted to say that while I was rector there from 1871 to 1873 I learned so much of Samuel Johnson that I organized a Guild to raise funds with which to erect a church to be a memorial to him, and, in the church edifice in which he often officiated, I plead for this object. My successor for some years was transferred to St. Paul's, New Haven, and now is the Episcopal Bishop of Newark, N. J. He is descended from our Deacon Samuel Stocking and our first Thomas Stow. On Tuesday of next week a costly church will be consecrated in West Haven, and the Bishop of Connecticut, who sent me an invitation to be present there, has to-day expressed his approval of my suggestion that the fund I raised should now be used to place in this costly edifice a suitable memorial to Samuel Johnson, long known as the "Father of Episcopacy in Connecticut." I little dreamed in those days that Samuel Johnson's mother was born in the Upper Houses.

In 1729 the Rev. George Berkeley, Dean of Derry in Ireland, to whom the satirist Pope ascribed ". . . every virtue under heaven," arrived in Newport, R. I., with a charter from the crown to found a college in Bermuda, the "declared object of which was to be the instruction of scholars in theology and literature, with a view to propagate the Christian faith and civilization, not only in parts of America subject to the British authority, but among the heathen." He purchased a farm, and erected a farmhouse, and proceeded to work out his collegiate plans, at the same time devoting himself to writing "Alciphon, or The Minute Philosopher." Alas! the money voted by Parliament was squandered. Eighty thousand pounds of money, rightly belonging to the church, was squandered. Samuel Johnson, who had read his

"Principles of Human Knowledge." paid him a visit at Newport, and the acquaintance ripened into a warm friendship and correspondence, and their sons maintained a correspondence after their fathers had gone to their graves. When he was returning to England in 1732 Samuel Johnson plead for books for Yale library, and the result was that Dean Berkeley not only gave his own library to Yale but induced others to join with him in sending nearly a thousand volumes across the Atlantic, "the finest collection of books," according to President Clap, "which had then ever been brought at one time to America." He also gave to Yale his farm of ninety-six acres, the conditions of the deed being that the net income shall be appropriated to the maintenance of the three best scholars in Greek and Latin. Dr. Berkeley wrote that Samuel Johnson was widely known as the friend and patron of classical learning, that he watched its progress at Yale College, under the impetus of Berkeley's donations, that "when Franklin was about to establish a college at Philadelphia, there was no man whose counsel he sought more eagerly, or whose authority, as its future Provost, he was more anxious to secure, than that of Johnson." He refused this offer, but when prominent New York gentlemen, mostly of the Church of England, concerted for the purpose of founding a college in New York City, Samuel Johnson, "who had been all along consulted, and who in turn applied for advice and direction to his friend, Bishop Berkeley, was chosen President in January, 1754." He became, also, an assistant minister of Trinity Church. After a residence of thirty-one years of rural life, he removed to New York City as president of King's College, now Columbia University.

When death had removed his wife and children by smallpox which had a great terror for all, he, in February, 1763, sixteen days after the death of his wife, was back in Stratford occupying a part of the great mansion of his son, William Samuel, so distinguished in the history of Connecticut, expecting, being sixty-seven years of age, to lead a life of retirement, but he assumed charge of the parish, and served it till his death on the Feast of the Epiphany, 1772.

It may be a source of pride to those who trace maternal influences to think that in Samuel Johnson there were forces which may be credited, in part at least, to Mary Sage, and to the heredity of Sage and Wilcox, his ancestors of Upper Houses. Columbia University has among its Columbiana several bricks taken from the house of Rev. Joseph Smith, which had been built about 1650 by Robert Webster, son of Governor John Webster.



## THE BUILDERS OF THE NATION

Judge Daniel J. Donahoe

The bloom of summer shines upon the world  
In changing glory; over field and grove  
Floats a soft breathing, and a voice of joy  
Rises from hill and valley. Every stream  
Mirrors the beauty both of earth and sky,  
And, murmurous of music, runneth on  
Above the shallows; while against the sun,  
Silent and broad, the curving river gleams  
Like a great saber, from some giant hand  
Cast, 'mid the cloven hills, and flashing lies,  
A symbol of eternal power and peace.

But not alone the granite hills that stand  
Against the ocean, and the river's flood  
Moving in majesty make manifest  
The power that guards the nation. On each hand  
Our eyes are blessed with marvels that bespeak  
Man's greatness, and the sovereignty he bears  
O'er nature's forces. Like a willing slave,  
The fettered lightning bows unto his needs,  
And trained to harmless toil, obeys his will.  
The streams that leap in laughter down the hills  
Are caught and harnessed to the restless wheels,  
That sing in ceaseless industry; while clouds,  
Rising above the myriad-windowed mills,  
In folds of light, show where the strength of steam  
Makes great the cities with the might of toil.

Thus is the power of labor multiplied,  
And thus unto the toiler's hand brings home,  
As guerdon of his skill, unbounded wealth,  
And opportunity wide as the stars;  
While peace, with shining footsteps, through the land  
Walks, where a thousand farmsteads, rich with meads,  
Pastures and fields of tilth, drink in the rays  
Of the new morn, that rises with the light  
Of prophecy, and promises to all  
A golden harvest.

Round each village spire,  
That, pointing starward, speaks eternal truths,  
Cluster a group of cottages, with lawns  
Wide to the street. These are the glad abodes  
Of labor, culture, love, and liberty.  
Here nought of evil on the surface shows,  
Nor cloud of sorrow darkens; but where'er  
The gazer turns, such happiness as blessed  
The primal Eden seems to fill the land.

Long on these grateful scenes we turn our eyes,  
Drinking unto our souls dreams of delight;  
And backward glancing, lift our heads aloft  
With a proud meaning; for we see how broad  
Have been the strides of progress, since the bell  
From Independence Hall startled the world,  
And thrilled the people with new life and hope.  
Nor shall the present and the past suffice;  
But down the shining slope of future years,  
We peer with souls high-swelling, and descry  
The vision of the wonders yet to be.

But let nor pride nor hope our souls deceive,  
And soothe us with a false security;  
Nay, let us pause amid our sunny dreams,  
And pierce with searching eye the golden veil  
That covers o'er with splendor all the land,  
Yet hides, perchance, some foul or evil blight,  
That worketh waste or woe. Sharp scrutiny  
Must needs be made of license and of law  
By men who love their country and would keep  
Her strength and honor safe. This wisdom wills;  
Lest all too confident, in strength assured,  
Our souls become elate, and filled with pride  
Of past achievements, both in peace and war,  
Of foolish dreams of greatness, that may well  
Betray us, while corruption threatens death.

Neither by day nor night may rest be ours;  
But care and watching shall our duty be;  
For we are toilers still. Our work remains  
All unaccomplished, while a flaw abides,  
Or chance of danger. Perfect government  
In town and state and nation, this must be  
Our dear ambition.

And though hero souls  
 Are ours, and ours the age of heroes, God  
 Demands our best of labor. Serious thought,  
 Not overweening boasts, will satisfy  
 The everlasting Justice. Bowed in soul,  
 True servants, we must look for Heaven's behest;  
 And with the light that shineth from the Throne,  
 Bend to achieve the glory of His will.  
 Nor may we our stern duty minimize;  
 As men of might, within our hand is placed  
 A sacred charge requiring holiest care,  
 A trust that brooks no faltering in faith,

We are the nation's builders. If we strive  
 With heart and hand and brain to raise the walls  
 And glorify the temple, we but yield  
 To conscience, that with unrelenting voice  
 Guides us to justice; and the house we build  
 Must be the house of justice. Light and law  
 Shall shine within its portals. Let it be  
 A palace worthy of the Lord, whose love  
 Smiles on no worthless effort. And unless  
 He build with us our labor is but vain;  
 And our achievements, howsoever brave,  
 Are like the splendors of a sunset cloud;  
 And howsoever high the house we build,  
 And bright with grandeur, 'tis a Babel Tower,  
 A monument of folly and of shame.

But where shall we find justice? Who shall guide  
 Our footsteps lest we stumble in the dark?  
 Masked in the garb of wisdom, danger walks,  
 Lighting false beacons, that may lead to death,  
 While boasting of supremacy and power.

Let us beware. This increase manifold  
 Of labor's gain from nature's mastered powers,—  
 Where shall it go? Shall men, who worship wealth,  
 Make for themselves a privilege, and hold  
 The ninety parts and nine, while labor's host,  
 The mighty army that has made the wealth,  
 Takes but the single unit as its wage?  
 Shall the rich revel in wild luxury,  
 While, as in France of old, the poor attempt  
 To quell their hunger with the grass, like beasts?

If men are thus oppressed, what power can save  
 The nation from disgrace? No wrong can live,  
 But ruin, soon or late, avenging comes  
 To blaze a road for justice. Then, beware!  
 Not for the money-changer is the house  
 Of honor builded, but for men whose souls  
 Look heavenward and seek the things of God.  
 Yet in our temple we behold, even now,  
 The holy place proclaimed as Mammon's throne;  
 The worshipers of wealth its walls profane,  
 And on its altars raise a golden calf.  
 Scorning the broader Brotherhood of Christ,  
 And swollen with privilege, in robes of gold,  
 The priest of Mammon lifts his impious face,  
 And sends his proud voice echoing through the skies.

## THE HYMN OF PRIVILEGE

God of the golden horn,  
     Bright in thy golden rays;  
 God from whose hand is born  
 All that our lives adorn,—  
 God of the golden horn,  
     Thee we adore and praise.

Thou that art proud and great,  
     Honor the great and proud;  
 Lift up our souls elate;  
 Keep us to rule the state!  
 Thou that art proud and great,  
     Hear us; our heads are bowed.

Ruler of wealth and ease,  
     Keep us in ease and wealth;  
 Poverty, toil, disease;—  
 Save us from ills like these;  
 Ruler of wealth and ease,  
     Bless us with peace and health.

God of the golden horn,  
     Thee we adore and praise;  
 Safe on thy strength up-borne,  
 Lead us from need and scorn;  
 God of the golden horn,  
     Guide us through golden days.

Nor comes less danger from the wretch, whose fare  
 Is with the beast. The innocent toiler, stung  
 By hunger's fangs, may grow more ravenous  
 Than tiger in the jungle. In his soul  
 The wrong may rankle, and break forth in fire  
 Whose flame shall scorch the heavens. When the cry  
 Rose from the rabid masses in the streets  
 Of Paris, reason slept; and nought could save  
 The crown of privilege from the guillotine.  
 How shall injustice thrive more safely here,  
 And walk with steps impune upon the neck  
 Of prostrate industry? Beware! the hour  
 Of reckoning comes and danger's signal flies!  
 Have ye not heard the shout of wild despair  
 That rises from the slums? Your hand can save  
 Only by lifting up with tenderness,  
 And weighing in the balances of Right  
 The portion due to labor.

All too long

Justice has been delayed. The dens of crime,  
 Where day is turned to night, and sin becomes  
 The stay of hunger, threaten to destroy  
 The glory of your building. If unmoved  
 By reason and pure justice, let your fear  
 Arouse your souls to honor. Moloch's sons,  
 A hideous host, are in your temple now,  
 And loud in adoration. Hear their hymn!

THE HYMN OF THE DESTROYERS

Hear us, O God of Shame,  
 Moloch! we call thy name,  
 And seek thy evil service, power divine!  
 To thee we bend the knee;  
 We look for help to thee;  
 Crushed in the mire of sin, our souls are thine.

Thou baneful deity,  
 We sacrifice to thee  
 Our children; soul and body they are thine!  
 Through long and weary years,  
 Through misery and tears,  
 They bow beneath thy influence unbenign.

What boots it, loathsome God,  
 To feel the cruel rod,  
 Unless we gain the pleasures that we seek?  
 'Mid drudgery and grime  
 We find our good in crime,  
 With flinty hearts and bloody hands that reek.

Not out of gilded palaces shall come  
 Abiding righteousness; nor shall we seek  
 An uplift from the rotting tenements.  
 These are alike sure tokens of disease.  
 That warn the nation of impending death.  
 Not out of these our dreams of grandeur come;  
 But from the farmsteads and the toilers' homes,  
 Scattered like new-blown roses o'er the hills,  
 And through the sounding valleys, where the streams  
 Roar through their channels, loud with cheerful toil.

Out of such homes may wisdom hear the voice  
 Of freedom chanting hymns of sacred peace;  
 Out of such homes alone the call shall lead  
 To honor's court, where even-handed right  
 Demands that crime, in hovel or in hall,  
 Shall suffer equal shame. The hour requires  
 Strong men, brave men of wisdom and of will  
 To break the sleep of justice. Let her rise,  
 And render unto every man his due.  
 Both interest and wages, while the land,  
 With all the unbought gifts of bounteous heaven,  
 Shall bear the nation's burden.

This must come:

For only by its coming may we hope  
 To build aright our temple's holy walls  
 And rear its hallowed altars; only thus  
 The law of love shall fill its ample space  
 With such effulgence as can never pale.

Then labor shall uplift a thousand homes,  
 True shrines of godliness and liberty,  
 Where now the castle of the millionaire  
 Usurps with gorgeous insolence the land,  
 And holds wide acres in dead idleness.  
 Out of the slums pale children shall be brought

To rise and run in new-found life and joy,  
 To play like the young lambs among the fields,  
 And sing like birds under the blue of heaven.  
 The haunts of pestilence and poverty,  
 Where beggared merit oft in hunger weeps,  
 With dens of degradation, sin and death,  
 Like the rich robber's hold, shall be brought low,  
 And the pure winds of heaven shall breathe thereon.  
 The city streets and the wide country side  
 Shall sweeten like flower-gardens in God's air;  
 And men shall lift their faces to the stars,  
 Unscathed by wrong, guiltless of infamy.

Then shall our hearts be lifted up to heaven  
 When we behold the bloom upon the hills;  
 And to the voice of gladness from the vales  
 Our souls shall swell in answer. Evermore,  
 The river in its silent course shall gleam,  
 Like a great saber, flashing to the skies,  
 A symbol of eternal power and peace.

Then from the earth shall rise, in thunder-tones,  
 The blessings of the ransomed multitudes,  
 Forever swell along the echoing skies,  
 The song of neither arrogance nor shame,  
 But a true hymn of glory unto God,  
 From souls strong with the brotherhood of love.

## HYMN OF THE PEOPLE

O God of life and love and light,  
 We send our voice in song to thee;  
 Thy hand hath led us through the night,  
 Thy power hath raised and made us free.

Be still our guide, our strength, our stay;  
 Blest be thy name from shore to shore,  
 To thee we turn both night and day,  
 From humbled hearts thy grace implore.

Let justice, truth and love abound;  
 Keep us as brothers, hand in hand;  
 Be neither fear nor falsehood found,  
 Nor greed nor hunger mar the land.

A ransomed nation, strong and free,  
 Let grateful love our aims upraise;  
 God of our fathers, unto thee  
 We send our songs in holy praise.

SOME EARLY CROMWELL PREACHERS

The Rev. Percy Butler Wightman

Mr. Chairman, Fathers and Brothers: I feel to-day somewhat like a young man who had been recently married. It seems that after the ceremony a wedding breakfast or luncheon was served. Then followed a series of addresses congratulatory in character, until finally the groom was called upon to make some fitting response. Not given to public address the task was arduous, and he shrank from the ordeal, but they called the more loudly for him. Finally he rose to his feet, and, placing his hand upon the shoulder of his bride to steady himself, he said: "Ladies and gentlemen, this thing has been forced upon me."

And my address has been forced upon me. I do not mean to convey the idea that Mr. C. Collard Adams, whose enthusiasm and ceaseless interest in the old families of Cromwell have made this gathering here possible, has persistently clamored for an address, for he has not; but when the invitation came, having had experience "to get men to speak in meeting," and knowing what a task it was, I had compassion, and decided to help in any way he should command. And yet I can think of another. There is a reason why I should speak to you to-day. From the early days men whose names I and my brothers bear, have been identified with this village, and with the two churches longest established. You have a right to claim my presence, and I am honored by your courteous invitation which gives me this opportunity of speech.

No apology is necessary for the subject, "Some Early Cromwell Preachers," and right pleased will I be if I simply stir up your interest enough to wish to learn more about them in the history now in the hands of the Grafton Press.

Some little while ago, I was reading again the warrant for the death of Edward Wightman—the last of the English martyrs burned at the stake for his religious belief. I suspect that the real reason why he was called "a pestilential fellow" lay in the fact that he did not believe in infant baptism, but to justify his death King James and "the reverend father in God, Richard, Bishop of Coventry and Litchfield," accused him of "the wicked heresis of the Ebionites, Cerinthians, Valintinians, Arrians,



Macedonians, of Simon Magus, of Manes, Manechees, of Prolinus, and Ana-Baptists, and of other heretical, execrable, and unheard of opinions, by the instinct of Satan, by him excogitated." And it seems strange to me that it was necessary to touch a torch to his stake, for surely anyone who had all these dry theories in him would ignite by spontaneous combustion. But the early preachers in the pulpits of this village were not dry men. In them burned the fire of a holy zeal for their work, and it is right that the pastors should be honored with the Founders, Fathers, and Patriots. For whether they stayed in the village for a long or short time the spirit was the same. They had a message. It had gripped them, and they tried to so present it that it would take hold of the lives and mold the characters of the men and women to whom they ministered, and their labor was not in vain.

Our nation owes much of its strength to the men who built the religious and intellectual foundation of the country. It was a time when the Indian trail was cut wider to allow the two-wheeled ox cart and chaise room to run, and it was a time, too, when men in breathing the freedom of the colonies began to exert individual liberty. Were I looking for a text, which is the way of a preacher you know, how many would be suggested by their lives! "Go forward and possess the land," "Carry neither purse nor script," "Their works do follow them," "I determined to know nothing among you save Jesus Christ and him crucified."

But one regret I must express early in my address, namely, the inability to give place to the majority of ministers who have broken the bread of life to this generation and ones preceding. If I fail to mention them, it is not because of unworthiness, nor that their lives were a cipher, neither is it that they did not go in and out of the homes with a prayer and purpose in their hearts; but simply for the reason that time is short, and, as another has written of him for whom he gave his life, "I suppose that even the world itself could not contain the books that should be written."

We will give our attention chiefly to four men, the first and second pastors to serve the Congregational Church, the Rev. Joseph Smith and the Rev. Edward Eells; and noticing two pastors in the Baptist Church—the Rev. Frederick Wightman and Rev. Charles W. Potter. I have chosen not to speak of the Methodist Episcopal Church for various reasons: first, because of its youth, having come into being in the wake of the revival of '57; second, while consecrated men have served it, yet they have not been in residence long enough to leave an impression upon the village; and third, material is lacking upon which to base the treatment.

We will first think about Rev. Joseph Smith. You all know that the settlers here attended the First Congregational Church of Middletown for over fifty years, leaving home early to return late on the Sabbath days. They walked or rode to service, taking their lunch with them, and eating it in the "Sabba' Houses," built near the church for the purpose of warming up the outer and inner man, after the cold ride or the chill of the church.

After attending church in Middletown for half a century, by and by the community grew strong and ambitious enough to wish a church of its own, and a new parish, known as the Second Ecclesiastical Society of Middletown was incorporated, in May, 1704, on condition that the people settle a minister within six to twelve months, and build a meeting house. The population was about 250 including East Berlin. Eleven years afterward the church was organized with 23 members, and Rev. Mr. Smith who had officiated for a few years was called to the pastorate. He was a Massachusetts man, and came when about forty years old.

He was called from a new church enterprise at Horse Neck, where he had gone after years spent in teaching. The people moved him at their expense and later built his house "provided he would pay for the glass and nails used in its construction." They gave him seventy pounds, annually, and his firewood as a salary. When you read what our historian has to say about firewood, you will come to the same conclusion I have reached: that it was the "bete noire" of his life. Sometimes it was delivered, sometimes he had to get it, and sometimes there was none cut for him to get. Then a sum was allowed to buy it, and occasionally this was not paid. The kind of cord which ran through his days was not silken but wooden, and he had more trouble, and the deacons passed more motions on the parson's firewood, than on the treatment of the "disorderly youth who were brought into the church, and had to stand at the foot of the gallery stairs until the service was over."

But, as a preacher, he did his work well as far as our knowledge goes. I give not people credit for greater patience than now, and surely no man would be allowed peacefully to hold his charge for twenty-one years, unless his pulpit ministrations were satisfactory. He organized, developed, and welded into a church people who had been listening for years to candidates—which usually means black disaster. One who can do that thing shows ability, and that the church stands with him.

It seems strange that no regrets were expressed at his death, but on the other hand we are to remember that the Puritans suppressed outward signs of emotion. "There is no doubt that they

loved their wives and their children," wrote an observant historian, "but they did not seem to dare to tell their wives and children that they loved them. They suppressed the utterances of love which beat so warmly in their breasts. Silence was golden, and speech silver or a baser metal. Longfellow understood their reticence, and brings it out in his "Courtship of Miles Standish," when impatient Priscilla says, "Speak for yourself, John."

The second incumbent was the Rev. Edward Eells. He sprang from Samuel, one of the first settlers at Milford, who later moved into Massachusetts. Edward was his great-grandson. They were godly men, of sterling stock, and placed a high value on college training, for one generation after another went up to Harvard. Since Nathaniel, the son of Samuel, I believe that there has not been a time when someone by the name of Eells has not been active in the Christian ministry, and several have attained marked distinction as preachers.

As the Scotch say, Edward "was a man of many parts," a gifted preacher, a loyal patriot, a theologian, and a foremost citizen. The early record of this village could not be written without mentioning him. He was a chaplain in the French and Indian War, and so fired his children with patriotism that his son, Major Eells, "started for the war the day after word came from Lexington, and remained in the service until June, 1783, and became one of the founders of the Society of Cincinnati." And his son Samuel, pastor at Branford, one Sunday morning raised a company in his own congregation, was chosen captain, and entered the war. It was the same love of country, but shown a little differently, when Parson Wetmore of Stratford, hearing of the surrender of Lord Cornwallis as he was delivering his discourse, straightening himself to his full height, and making known his intelligence, said, "It is no place for boisterous demonstration in the house of God, but we will, in giving three cheers, only go through the motions."

And, as a theologian, he took a leading part in the controversy at Wallingford, between what was properly known as the "New Lights and the Old Lights," which stirred the church world of New England to its center. In this controversy he was clerk of council.

This was an age through New England of formal church life. If a person outwardly conformed he was judged a worthy church member, but I am of the impression that Mr. Eells himself, having the heart of religion in him, was not satisfied until those for whose spiritual welfare he was responsible had the essence of the Gospel, too. He honored Upper Houses in coming here, and

Upper Houses has blessed the country by giving it a family whose lives have been righteous, whose deeds were noble, the force of whose character has helped to establish religion, patriotism, and intelligence through our wide land.

But I must hurry on. And turn with some diffidence to Frederick Wightman, the first of the pastors of the Cromwell Baptist Church, whose ministry extended over a decade.

Sixteen persons organized the church fifteen years before his coming, and until 1817 pastors were secured on part time. In that year Mr. Wightman became minister.

He was born in Warwick, R. I., and, like most New Englanders, religious persecution drove his father to these shores. The family was strongly Baptist, as far back as 1611 at least. Like the Eells family the descendants of Edward Wightman have filled more than a score of pulpits in this land. He was a carpenter, and followed his trade until his twenty-third year, when he had a definite religious experience, and his conversion took place. Then a strong impression was laid on him that the gift of "Christ was not only for my safety and happiness, but His service and glory." This heavenly vision led his steps toward the ministry, but for eighteen months thereafter he "wrought and preached," and when the invitation came from the Baptist Church of Ashford, he accepted, beginning his pastorate in 1806.

After eleven years of successful labor, he moved to this village, staying his first night in Major Eells's old home, known even then as "the Minister's Tavern." After fifteen years' service as pastor of the Second Baptist Church of Middletown, he moved to East Lyme, but returned in two years, on the earnest invitation of the Cromwell church, for two years more of service. Later he was in the Baptist churches of Haddam, three years; Wethersfield, one year; East Lyme (now Niantic), three years, and then returned to pass the last days of his life among his friends here, after forty years of preaching.

He was a God-called man, believed with all his heart in conversion as essential to salvation, and this he preached with all the fervor of his strong nature. No one was more acceptable as a speaker in the Hartford, New Haven, and New London Associations, with which he was by turns connected. At the birth of missionary activity in 1821-3, he was among the foremost in educating the churches, and soliciting their prayers and contributions for Dr. Judson and his co-laborers in Burmah, and few had an acquaintance equal to his of domestic missions. He was a charter member, and one of the most active in the organization of "the State Convention of Baptist churches" in 1823; and, with Deacon William Ranney, introduced this church into the Hart-

ford Association. Wrote the editor of the *Christian Secretary*, "In every ecclesiastical relation, Mr. Wightman bore a conspicuous and leading part." His records show that he preached over seven thousand sermons, immersed upward of four hundred willing converts, administered the Lord's Supper over five hundred times, officiated at about three hundred funerals and as many marriages, and by special requests because of his gifts as a preacher, attended over twenty-one ordinations, and preached the sermon at the majority of them.

His last days were spent here. Though he suffered greatly near the end, his faith never faltered. Writing near the end, he said in a letter to his son: "After seventy-seven years in life, and fifty-five in connection with the Baptist Church, I have nothing to boast of, saving the cross of our Lord Jesus Christ, by which I hope that I am crucified to the world and the world to me." Then, October 5, 1856, he was gathered to his fathers as a ripe sheaf of corn.

The fourth subject of my sketch is the Rev. Charles W. Potter. He is a recent man, and because he is known to some, I will not give him the space which he undoubtedly deserves.

His pastorate extended for three and one-half years, but those years were full, coming here in the spring of 1852. He was a strong preacher, and man of affairs—a blending, if some people's word can be taken, which is too frequently noticeable by its absence among clergymen as a class. He succeeded Rev. Mr. Hervey as pastor, filling the pulpit, I believe, the Sunday after his predecessor left, and, as soon as he could study the field, he recognized the great need of a new meeting house. In eight months \$1900 was subscribed, and a building committee appointed, "who were to take the entire responsibility upon themselves."

They sought a site for some time, and talked of the lot between the stores of Elisha Stocking and Ralph Savage, and also of another on which "John Haskel's old house now stands."

A little later the project gained deeper hold, and about \$2100 was subscribed, when "Elder Potter purchased the Thomas Stow house and lot from Mr. Colton for \$1600, and the church was erected upon it." It was largely through his efforts that this church stands here to-day. He resigned his charge in 1855, and many regretted his going. This church was full Sabbath after Sabbath. So pronounced were his preaching ability and knowledge of affairs, that he stands out in the memory of some of the older members, though a dozen licentiates and ministers have come and gone since his day. I think that it was through sorrow at losing him that Rev. Mr. Wightman, in a letter announcing the resigna-

tion of Mr. Potter, wrote, "May God give this church a man after his own heart, who shall be full of the Gospel of Christ."

Mr. Potter served other churches in Connecticut for nearly fifty years, and was long a director of Conn. Baptist State Convention. Dr. Francis Wayland once said of him, "Since the death of Dr. Palmer of Stonington, Mr. Potter is the man upon whose wisdom and direction we rely in our management of the affairs of the feeble Churches of the State." Mr. Potter died in Litchfield, Aug. 1903, and is buried in Cedar Hill Cemetery at Hartford, where a very fine Scotch monument erected by friends marks his burial place.

As one takes a broad view over two centuries of church life, two things are marked here as in all New England: first is the divine authority of the Holy Bible, and second is the right of personal liberty in the sight of God.

To our fathers the Bible was a message of Almighty God. They accepted it without compromise. It was the one book found in their dwellings. They read it at their firesides, they talked about it to their children and neighbors, and they were permeated with its historic facts. They even gave their children the names of its heroes and characters, and the truth it contained found expression in education and politics. It was the reading book of the child learning his letters, "the lamp to the feet" of the adult, and the hope of the aged, physically tottering, but stalwart in faith, in the even time of their lives.

And personal liberty matched their love for the Word of God. God most high was the only Lord of the conscience. Home and friendships were given up at the call of freedom, and life itself was not too valuable a possession with which to purchase liberty.

They lacked sometimes in charity. They were not always catholic in spirit, but neither are we. Said another, "We do not burn and stone one another, it is true, and yet our words are sometimes as hot as a flame, and as rough as brick bats."

On Plymouth Rock, in the commonwealth of Massachusetts, a splendid monument was dedicated about twenty years ago. Upon a granite pedestal there rises a sculptured figure, representing faith. In her left hand is an open Bible. The right points upward to the divine source of all true inspiration. At her feet are statues representing Education, Law, Morality, and Freedom. It is an elegant tribute to the Pilgrims, and a suggestive lesson to their children. And the men whose lives were given to the churches of this place have used the endowments that this community be educated, that it respect law, that it practice morality and enjoy liberty.

*DESCENDANTS OF THOMAS RANNEY*





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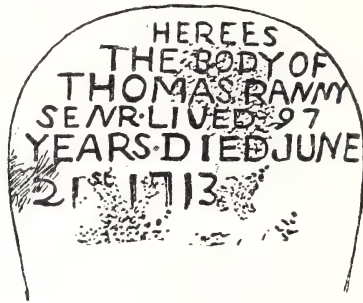
### FIRST GENERATION

The second volume of Scottish Arms names the Rany and Renny families. Herbert Rainie sat in Parliament for Dumfries in 1572. Robert Rayning was provost in 1578. Symon Renny was bailie of Inverkeithing in 1362. In 1450 Ranys and Rennys were owners of land in Forfarshire. Sir John Rany of England is named in 1660. The name is given in various forms in France and Flanders at a very early date.

1. The first known of our Thomas Rany is in the land records of Middletown, a house lot having been granted to him in 1658. His marriage is recorded as in May, 1659, to Mary Hubbard. At this date George Grave returned to Hartford and his grants were transferred to Thomas Rany, the record being dated in 1663. In 1698 Alexander Rollo, a Scotchman, and an attorney who had married a daughter of John Kirby, wrote and witnessed a will wherein "Thomas Rheny" gave to his son Ebenezer a parcel of land. This spelling does not occur in a deed dated a day later wherein the father gave adjoining land to a brother of Ebenezer. The conclusion is that Alexander Rollo is responsible for the form in which he wrote the name. In Scottish records Rheny is a familiar name. The conclusion is that Thomas Rany came from Scotland. On his tombstone the name is Ranny, and about this date, 1713, his sons wrote their name as Rany and soon after as Ranny. The reproduction of their autographs is given herewith. The deed of 1698 is in the possession of Mrs. Charles Collard Adams. While the public records give the birth of only five children, and the church records give the baptism of Marcy, the will gives the names of the ten children who survived him. While the public record says he died June 25, 1713, the gravestone says he died June 21, 1713. He is supposed to have been the first one buried here, as it was only in January preceding it was voted to set apart land for a cemetery.

His signature to deeds in his later years was attested by a + and it may be that he was as unfortunate in one respect as were others of his day and generation. He was not a member of the church. He served equally with others on various town committees and was an active member of the community. In the census of 1670 when the inhabitants were rated he was rated at £105, the ninth in a list of 52 proprietors.

Mary Hubbard, his wife, was born in Hartford, Jan. 16, 1641-2, the eldest child of George Hubbard and Elizabeth Watts. She d. Dec. 18, 1721, and is without a gravestone. In his will dated May 2, 1681, George Hubbard, aged 80, said, "I give to my daughter Mary Rany fourty shillings out of my Estate, but on further consideration instead of that fourty shillings I give my sayd daughter the on halfe of my halfe Mille Lott on the East side the Great River by the List of 1673." His homestead in Middletown was on Main Street extending south from what is Rapello Avenue and



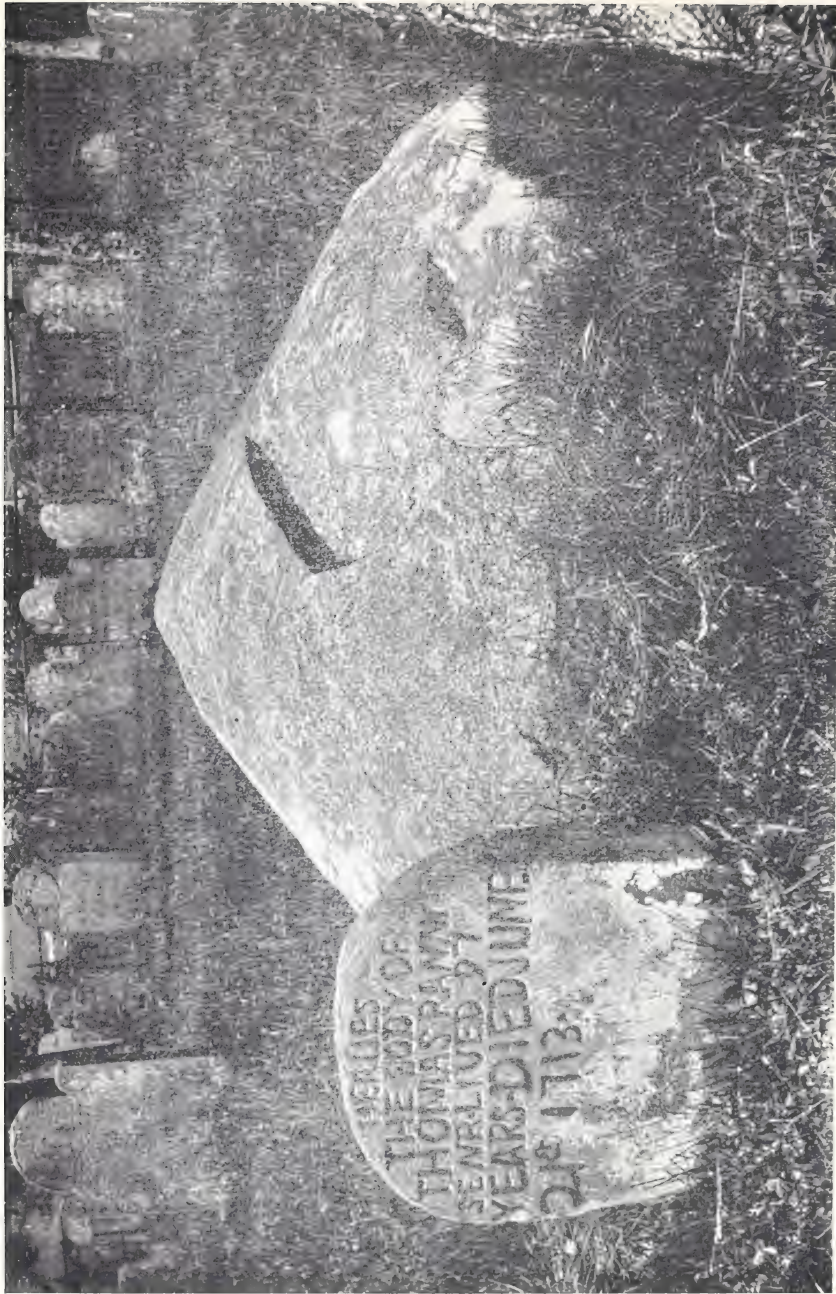
reaching back to the Connecticut River. Thomas Allen's homestead lay between Hubbard's and Riverside Cemetery.

#### WILL OF THOMAS<sup>1</sup> RANNEY

In the Name of God, Amen, the Sixth day of March in the year of our Lord 1711. I, Thomas Ranney of Middletown in the County of Hartford in New England, Husbandman, being very sick and weak in body, but of competent understanding and memory, thanks be given to God, therefore calling to mind the mortality of my body, and knowing that it is appointed for men once to dye, Do make, and ordain this my last will and testament, that is to say, principally and first of all I give and recommend my soul into the hands of God y gave it, hoping through the Merits, death and passion of my Saviour Jesus Christ to have full and free pardon and forgiveness of all my sins, and to inherit everlasting life. And my body I commit to ye earth, to be decently buried at the discretion of my executors hereafter named, nothing doubting but at ye Generall resurrection I shall receive the same again by the mighty power of God, And, as touching such worldly estate wherewith it hath pleased God to bless me in this life, I give, demise and dispose of the same in the following manner, and form,



AS THE THOMAS RANNEY HOUSE LOOKED, 1650-1880



HEADSTONE AND BOULDER AT GRAVE OF THOMAS' RANNEY

that is to say, First I will that all those debts and duties as I do owe in right or Conscience to any manner of person or persons whatsoever shall be well and truly contented and paid, or ordained to be paid in convenient time after my decease, by my Executors hereafter named.

Item. I give and bequeath to my dear wife, Mary, during her naturall life the free use and improvement of that half of my dwelling house wherein we now live, with the seller belonging to it, and ye one half of my homelott, and half of my old barn with the new end thereof, together with my whole upper lott in the long meadow both plowing land and grass land, with two acres on ye near neck, the use of a team with a yoke of oxen and a horse, and necessary instruments belonging to it, and so much bedding and household stuff as she shall need for her own personall comfort and benefit, and likewise she shall have the whole dispose of that land which her Father Hubbard gave her, and I do ordain and appoint my son Thomas to take care of his Mother after my decease and to see that what I have willed to her for her comfortable maintenance be improved to that end.

Item. I give to my son Thomas, the lott on which his house stands as it is now divided, and one acre and half of my lott in Wongung Meadow, and a quarter part of Butt Swamp lott, also the whole of ye upper long meadow lott after his mothers decease also I give to him one acre of my boggy meadow swamp lott the half of my timber hill lott ye south side, & a quarter part within fifteen acres of the plain lott or Cold Spring, having his part divided to him by quantity and quality, also a quarter part of my long lott on the east side of ye great River, also I give to my son Thomas a quarter part of the undivided land y is yet in the town, also I give to Thomas a quarter part of the round meadow and further neck after my daughter Savages three acres of upland lying next ye meadow be taken out, also a quarter part of the half of that lott near Wongung bars, or Indian Hill, the west part of the lott with the swamp adjoining to it, this lott begins from the Highway eastward against Jonathan Warners. It is my will that this lott be splitted into, and the east part of it butting upon the highway against Jonathan Warners I do reserve for myself, to dispose of as I please, the other half of the lott, viz, the west part of it with the swamp adjoining to it it is my will that it shall be equally divided betwixt my four sons, Thomas, John, Joseph and Ebenezer.

Item. I give to my son John, that lott whereon his house stands, with one acre of my boggy meadow lot, also the just half of what is left of my Wongung meadow after Thomas has his own acre and half taken out and the fourth part of my lott in the plain to be

divided to him by quantity and quality, also a quarter part of my long lott on the east side of the great river, also a quarter part of butt swamp lott, this I gave to him formerly by a deed of gift, also eight acres of my timber hill lott, and something better, this also he had formerly by a deed of gift, also a third part of my lower long meadow lott both plowing and grass land and swamp after my son Ebenezers three acres be taken out which he has now under improvement, this I will to him to take in possession after my decease, also a quarter part of the further neck, and round meadow, after the three acres of upland which I give to my daughter Mary Savage be taken out, also a quarter part of the undivided land in the town equall with his brethren, also a quarter part of the half of that lott near Wongung bars, or Indian Hill butting upon the highway east over against my son Jonathan Warners, the west part of the said lott, which lott I have split into, reserving the east part of it for myself, with the swamp adjoining to the west part equall with Thomas.

Item. I give to my son Joseph that lott whereon his house stands, and one acre of my boggy meadow, with the just half of my Wongung meadow after Thomas has his one acre and half taken out, also the fourth part and fifteen acres of my plain lott, the fifteen acres to be taken out of Thomas part in consideration of Thomas being made better y he, at timber hill. also to be divided to him by quantity and quality as ye rest of his brethren have, also a quarter part of my Long lott on the east side of the great river also a quarter part of the west part of my lott near Wongung bars equall with Thomas and John as before mentioned, with the swamp adjoining to it, also a third part of my lower long meadow lott both plowing and grass land and swamp, after Ebenezer has his three acres taken out this I also will that he shall have in possession after my decease, also a quarter part of further neck and round meadow after the three acres of upland which I give to my daughter Mary Savage be taken out, also a quarter part of butt swamp lott, also a quarter part of the undivided land in the town.

Item. I give to my son Ebenezer the half of my dwelling house, homestead and old barn, and it is my will that my said son Ebenezer shall have the other half of my dwelling house, barn & homestead after his mothers decease provided he do pay to Mary Savage, Elizabeth Warner, and Easter Savage five pounds apease in pay, also that he shall give to Hannah, Margaret and Abigail so much of his part of Cold Spring lott as shall amount to or produce fifteen pound in pay, and if he shall refuse and neglect to pay his three sisters first mentioned, viz, Mary Savage, Elizabeth Warner and Easter Savage their Legacy fifteen pound he shall then resign

up two acres in the near neck, but if he pays them their due according to my will he shall enjoy the same after my and my wifes decease when he shall take possession of the whole of the homestead with all the buildings upon it, also I give to him one acre of the boggy meadow, and the fourth part of the plain lott to be divided to him according to quantity and quality, also a quarter part of the west part of my lott near Wongung bars or Indian Hill as before mentioned, equal with Thomas, John and Joseph, with the swamp adjoining to the west part, the east part of ye said lott butting upon the highway against my son Jonathan Warner I have reserved for myself, also a quarter part of my long lott on the east side of the great river, also a quarter part of further neck and round meadow after the three acres I have given to my daughter Mary Savage be taken out, also a quarter part of butt swamp lott, also a quarter part of the undivided land, also I give to my son Ebenezer three acres or thereabouts which he now improves of my lower long meadow lott, both plowing land and grass land and swamp.

Item. I give to my Son and daughter John and Mary Savage besides wt they have had formerly given to them in land by a deed of gift, and household stuff, I do now give them and tr heirs forever three acres of my land on the farther neck against ye lott in the round meadow so as may be convenient for them to come to tr meadow land running up to the highway also five pound in pay, to be paid to ym by my son Ebenezer.

Item. I give to my son and daughter Jonathan and Elizabeth Warner besides what they have had given to them formerly in land by a deed of gift and household stuff, it is my will that they have given to the other viz: Mary & Easter, five pounds in pay, to be paid to them by my son Ebenezer.

Item. I give to my son and daughter Nathaniell and Easter Savage besides what they have already received formerly in land by a deed of gift and household stuff, it is my will that they shall have their five pound as ye rest have which Ebenezer is to pay, and also I do give to ym and to yr heirs forever the half of my half mile lott.

Item. I give to Hannah, Margaret and Abygail, five pound apeece in current pay which my son Ebenezer is to pay unto them out of his part in the plain lott in Consideration of his having the whole of the homestead also I do give to them what remaines of my boggy meadow that I have not given to yr brothers, what remaines be it more or less to be equally divided amongst them after my decease also two acres in the east side of the near neck next to a highway to be equally divided amongst them after my decease, Also it is my will that what remaines of the household

stuff besides what yr mother needs for her own personall use and benefit, shall be equally divided amongst them, also two coves, three mares and all the sheep to be equally divided betwixt them, divideing of them as they see cause, also the team with two oxen, one horse together with all the husbandry tools and what bedding and household stuff shall be left after yr mothers decease shall be equally divided amongst my three daughters Hannah, Margaret and Abygail, also I give unto Hannah, Margaret and Abygail the just half of my half mile lott, the upper part of it next to ye short lotts.

Item. I give to my grandson Willett Ranney the remaining part of timber hill lott which consists of eight acres or thereabouts, four acres of ye plowing land he may now take possession of, the other four acres of pasture he shall have ye possession and improvement of after myne and my wifes decease.

Item. I give to my grandson Thomas Savage my lott in the dead swamp.

Lastly I do nominate and appoint my son Thomas, John, and Joseph to be executors of this my will and testament, to take that it be duly executed according to the true intent and meaning of ye same, also I do nominate and appoint Mr. David Deming, and my son John Savage as overseers of this my last will and testament to see yt the Executors do fully execute this my will and testament and yt according to ye true intent and meaning of it.

And I do hereby utterly disallow, revoke and disanull all and every other former testaments, wills and legacies, bequests and Executors by me in any wayes before this time named, willed and bequeathed, ratifying and confirming this and no other to be my last will and testament.

In Testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my seal this eighth day of March in the year of our Lord one thousand seven hundred and eleven, being the tenth year of the reign of our Sovereign Lady Ann by the Grace of God, Queen of Great Britain, France and Ireland, defender of ye faith &c.

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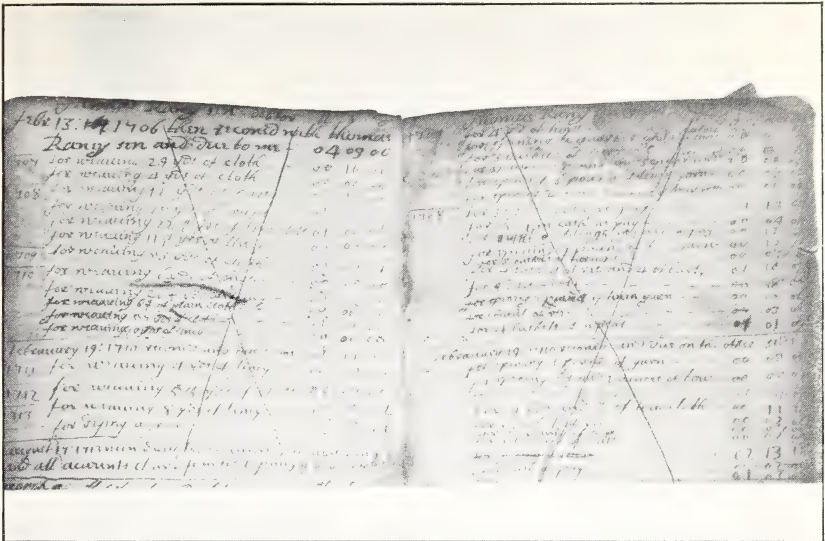
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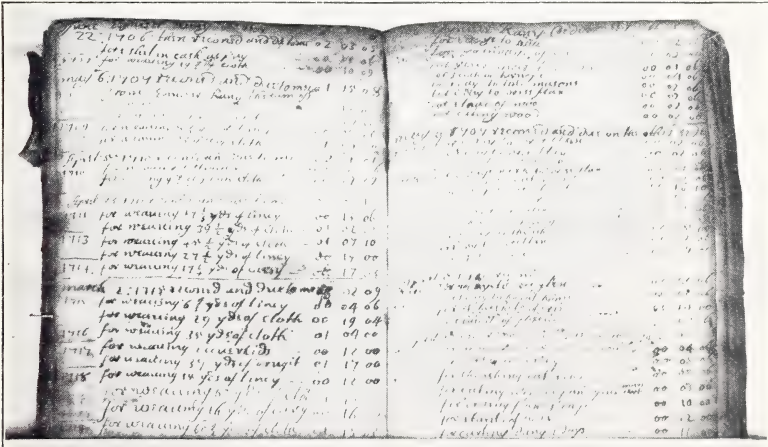
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IT COST BUT TWO SHILLINGS TO DIG THE GRAVE OF THOMAS<sup>1</sup> RANNEY (See page 144)



A LEAF FROM CAPT. JOHN WARNER'S ACCOUNT WITH EBENEZER<sup>2</sup> RANNEY (See page 160)



An inventory of the estate of Thomas Rany late of Mideltown deceased, taken July 27: 1713 by us prisers John Sage Samuëll frary and John Warner.

To his waring aparel,

	Cash l s d
to a cloak 15 <sup>s</sup> to a gray carsy coat £1-10 <sup>s</sup> .....	02-05-00
to 3 vests and an old coat 17 <sup>s</sup> to a pair of briches 5 <sup>s</sup> .....	01-02-00
to 2 pair of old briches 2 <sup>s</sup> to 1 pair of gloves 1 <sup>s</sup> .....	00-03-00
to 1 pair of stockings 2 <sup>s</sup> -6 <sup>d</sup> to 2 pair of shoes 10 <sup>s</sup> .....	00-12-06
to a hat 2 <sup>s</sup> to 2 shirts 11 <sup>s</sup> to 2 neck-cloths and other linen...	00-15-00
to cash att fifteen peny weight.....	18-04-00
to a gun and sword £1 to amunition and powder horns 5 <sup>s</sup> -6 <sup>d</sup>	01-05-06
to a bulit mould 1 <sup>s</sup> to 3 pound of lead 1 <sup>s</sup> to an old blanket 5 <sup>s</sup> .	00-07-00
to a feather bed, bolster and pillow £3 to 2 underbeds 3 <sup>s</sup> ....	03-03-00
to 25 yds of bed ticking £1-17 <sup>s</sup> -6 <sup>d</sup> to 2 underbeds more 9 <sup>s</sup> ....	02-06-06
to 5 feather pillows £1 to 2 old coverlids more 8 <sup>s</sup> .....	01-08-00
to 7 coverlids £3-10 <sup>s</sup> to 6 pair of old sheets £3.....	06-10-00
to 3 pair of new sheets £3 to 16 fine napkins £1-4 <sup>s</sup> .....	04-04-00
to 5 table cloths 15 <sup>s</sup> to 8 towels 8 <sup>s</sup> to 6 pillow cots 12 <sup>s</sup> ....	01-15-00
to a chees cloth 1 <sup>s</sup> to an ink horn 8 <sup>d</sup> , to an old red mantle 5 <sup>s</sup> .	00-06-08
to 3 yds of lincy-wooley 9 <sup>s</sup> to 3 lb of flax £1 to 2 meall bags 8 <sup>s</sup>	01-17-00
to 11 lb of sheeps wool 11 <sup>s</sup> to 2 chests 15 <sup>s</sup> to a box and and old trunk 5 <sup>s</sup> .....	01-11-00
to a new bedstead 10 <sup>s</sup> to 2 old bedsteds 6 <sup>s</sup> to 3 bed cords 7 <sup>s</sup> -6 <sup>d</sup>	01-03-06
to a brass ketell £4 to 2 brass skilits 11 <sup>s</sup> to an old brass cittell 5 <sup>s</sup> .....	04-16-00
to an iron pot £1 to an iron kettle 10 <sup>s</sup> to a warming pan 13 <sup>s</sup> ..	02-03-00
to 2 peuter platters 14 <sup>s</sup> to a peuter bason 5 <sup>s</sup> to 6 poringers 6 <sup>s</sup> ..	01-05-00
to old peuter 4 <sup>s</sup> -8 <sup>d</sup> to a chamber pot 1 <sup>s</sup> -8 <sup>d</sup> to an earthern plater 1 <sup>s</sup> .....	00-07-04
to other earthern ware 4 <sup>s</sup> -4 <sup>d</sup> to 4 glass bottels 2 <sup>s</sup> to wooden and platers and chese moats 5 <sup>s</sup> and chees press 4 <sup>s</sup> .....	0-15-04
to a wooden bottell and 1 paill 2 <sup>s</sup> -6 <sup>d</sup> to a hetchell 10 <sup>s</sup> .....	00-12-06
to 1 powder tub 7 <sup>s</sup> to other tubs in the seller 5 <sup>s</sup> to a half bushell 1 <sup>s</sup> -6 <sup>d</sup> .....	00-08-06
to a half peck 6 <sup>s</sup> and 2 barils 4 <sup>s</sup> to 4 vines 3 <sup>s</sup> corn basket 1 <sup>s</sup> .	00-08-06
to 3 old riddels 1 <sup>s</sup> to 3 old bags 1 <sup>s</sup> to a half pike 1 <sup>s</sup> 2 sieues 3 <sup>s</sup> .	00-06-00
to 3 splinter brooms 1 <sup>s</sup> to 2 powdering more 3 <sup>s</sup> to 3 old cask 1 <sup>s</sup> -6 <sup>d</sup> .....	00-05-06
to a meall troaff 1 <sup>s</sup> to 3 bushels of mault 9 <sup>s</sup> to half bus salt 2 <sup>s</sup>	00-12-00
to 5 spoons and 2 pair of sisors 2 <sup>s</sup> to an old frying and a smothing iron 4 <sup>s</sup> .....	00-06-00
to 7 small baskets 2 <sup>s</sup> to an old bible and other old books 8 <sup>s</sup> ..	00-10-00
to 4 chair 6 <sup>s</sup> and 4 cushins 2 <sup>s</sup> to a table 10 <sup>s</sup> to a lamp 2 <sup>s</sup> ....	01-00-00
to a pair of cards 1 <sup>s</sup> -6 <sup>d</sup> to a slise 2 <sup>s</sup> -6 <sup>d</sup> to a pair of tongs 3 <sup>s</sup> ..	00-07-00
to a tramill and hooks 6 <sup>s</sup> and 1 pair of pot hooks 1 <sup>s</sup> .....	00-07-00
to 14 lb. of coars wool 9 <sup>s</sup> -4 <sup>d</sup> to a youk and stake and rings 3 <sup>s</sup> -6 <sup>d</sup> .....	00-12-10
to hors traces and whipeltree chain 12 <sup>s</sup> and collar 4 <sup>s</sup> .....	00-16-00
to a plow chain and double hooks 10 <sup>s</sup> and plow cleui 2 <sup>s</sup> -6 <sup>d</sup> ..	00-12-06
to a sheare and collar 8 <sup>s</sup> to a cart and iron to it £1-4 <sup>s</sup> .....	01-04-00

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to a fork 2 <sup>s</sup> -6 <sup>d</sup> to a cart roap 5 <sup>s</sup> to a sith and tacklin 5 <sup>s</sup> -6 <sup>d</sup> ..	00-12-06
to a broad hoak 3 <sup>s</sup> to a timber chain £1-15 <sup>d</sup> a bridle 3 <sup>s</sup> .....	01-15-06
to 2 pair of fork tines 3 <sup>s</sup> beatele and 3 wedges 6 <sup>s</sup> an ax 4 <sup>s</sup> ....	00-13-00
an old ax 1 <sup>s</sup> -6 <sup>d</sup> and cuting knife for hay 4 <sup>s</sup> -6 <sup>d</sup> and sheep shears 2 <sup>s</sup> .....	00-08-00
to a hand saw 3 <sup>s</sup> to drawing knife 4 <sup>s</sup> -6 <sup>d</sup> to a lathing hamer 2 <sup>s</sup> -6 <sup>d</sup> to another hamer 1 <sup>s</sup> -6 <sup>d</sup> to a troah 1 <sup>s</sup> .....	00-12-06
to chisels and a goudg and a punch 5 <sup>s</sup> 2 trouels 4 <sup>s</sup> .....	00-09-00
to old broken chains and old iron £1-8 <sup>s</sup> sith tacklin 2 <sup>s</sup> -6 <sup>d</sup> ....	01-10-06
to gimblits and awls 2 <sup>s</sup> to 2 spindels 1 <sup>s</sup> to a spade 3 <sup>s</sup> .....	00-06-00
to a stubing hoak 2 <sup>s</sup> -6 <sup>d</sup> to a parcell of tand leather 14 <sup>s</sup> .....	00-16-06
to a percell of nails 4 <sup>s</sup> .....	00-04-00
to one yoak of oxen £9 to a three yeare old stear £2-10 <sup>s</sup> ....	11-10-00
to a heifer £1-15 <sup>s</sup> to one Cow £2-15 <sup>s</sup> to 2 mares £5.....	09-10-00
to 6 sheep £1-10 <sup>s</sup> to 3 hindges 3 <sup>s</sup> to a cow hide 2 <sup>s</sup> -8 <sup>d</sup> .....	01-15-08
to the house and homstead and barn.....	110-00-00
to the uper lott in the long meadow.....	42-00-00
to the lower lott in the long meadow.....	50-00-00
to the boggy meadow lott and the swamp.....	24-00-00
to the round meadow lott.....	08-00-00
to 4 acers on the near neck.....	15-00-00
to land on the further neck.....	09-00-00
to the dead swamp lott.....	02-10-00
to five acers of land on which Thomases hous now stands..	15-00-00
to five acers of land on which Johns hous now stands.....	15-00-00
to three acers of land on which Josephs hous now stands..	15-00-00
to 24 acers of land att hubards hill.....	60-00-00
to 315 acers att the plains or Cold Springs.....	150-00-00
to Wangog meadow lott.....	18-00-00
to 15 acres of upland neare wangog bars.....	15-00-00
to 5 acers and half of swamp land att the uper end of pason chog .....	05-10-00
To the long lott on the east side the great riuer.....	80-10-00
To the half mile lott on the east side of the great riuer....	10-00-00
To the half of a half mile lott.....	07-10-00
To His right of the undivided land in the Towne.....	10-00-00
Sum totall.....	757-19-10

The above Iuentory taken by us the day above sett downe,

JOHN WARNER { JOHN SAGE } Prisers  
                                      { SAM'LL FRARY }

*Children:*

- 2 Thomas, b. Mar. 1, 1660-1.
- 3 John, b. Nov. 14, 1662.
- 4 Joseph, b. Sept., 1663.
- 5 Mary, b. Oct., 1665; m. John<sup>2</sup> Savage.
- 6 Elizabeth, b. Apl. 12, 1668; m. Jonathan<sup>3</sup> Warner.
- 7 Esther, bapt. Apr. 22, 1673; m. Nathaniel<sup>2</sup> Savage.  
Hannah, bapt. Mar. 23, 1675; d. Nov., 1713.

Margaret, bapt. Jan. 10, 1678-9; m. abt. 1734, Stephen Clark;  
living, 1734, in New Haven.

8 Ebenezer, b. abt. 1681.

Mercy, bapt. Nov. 12, 1682; d. ———.

Abigail, b. ———; m. Jan. 21, 1713-14, Walter Harris.

She "departed this life by death," Dec. 15, 1714. *Child:*

Abigail, b. — 29, 1714; d. Nov. 20, 1714. He m. (2)  
Jan. 23, 1717-18, Elizabeth Wheeler, who d. Sept. 13,  
1718. He m. (3) Nov. 1, 1720, Deborah Prindle of  
Stratford.

## SECOND GENERATION

2 Thomas<sup>2</sup> Ranney (Thomas<sup>1</sup>), b. Mar. 1, 1660-1; m. Mar. 29, 1691, Hartford, Rebecca Willett, b. ———, Hartford, Conn., dau. of Nathaniel Willett and Hannah<sup>2</sup> Adams, who was the dau. of Jeremy<sup>1</sup> Adams and Rebecca<sup>2</sup> Fletcher (John<sup>1</sup> Fletcher). Original members of the church organized in the "North Society," on Jan. 5, 1714-15. Their homestead was on the right-hand side of the road leading to "Berlin quarter," beginning at "Wilcox brook," being part of the land bought in 1686 from the estate of John Crow by Thomas Ranney, and given to him by his father's will, according to the custom of that day, though he undoubtedly had built on it at the time of his marriage. He d. Feb. 6, 1726, and has a gravestone. His widow married Jacob<sup>3</sup> White.

ADAMS LINEAGE—Jeremy Adams, in Braintree, 1632; freeman in Cambridge, May 6, 1635; in Hartford, 1636; m. Rebecca, widow of Samuel Greenhill, as a second wife, it is supposed; given, May, 1660, exclusive right to retail liquors; Mar., 1661-2, to keep ordinary. This tavern was on the site of the new (1906) Traveller's Building. In it the Great and General Court was in session with the Charter, when the demand of Gov. Andros was ignored, the lights put out, and the Charter concealed in the Charter Oak tree. He held many local offices. His wife, Rebecca, d. 1678, and he m. (?) Rebecca, widow of Andrew Warner, Jr., who was dau. of John Fletcher. He d. Aug. 11, 1683. His widow removed to Middletown, where she lived with a son, and d. Jan. 25, 1715, aged 77.

Hannah Adams m. Nathaniel Willett. He came to Hartford in 1642; d. Jan. 4, 1698.

## WILL OF THOMAS<sup>2</sup> RANNEY

I, Thomas Ranny of Middletown, in the County of Hartford, husbandman, doe make this my last will and testament: Imprimis: I give to Rebeckah, my wife,  $\frac{1}{2}$  of my now dwelling house,  $\frac{1}{2}$  of my land at home,  $\frac{1}{2}$  of my orchard and  $\frac{1}{2}$  of my land in the long meadow. This I give her during her natural life, excepting only my wearing apparell, which I give to my three sons, Thomas, Willet and Nathaniel. And what money that is lent out I give to my wife to be at her own disposal. I give to my son Thomas

yt lottment of land whereon his house stands; also I give him my land lying on the plain, north of lands belonging to my brother Joseph Ranny and south of land belonging to Lt. Frary, and butts on ye road from Middletown to Wethersfield west; also I Give him  $\frac{1}{3}$  of my other land lying on the plain easterly of land that belongeth to my brother Joseph Ranny; also I give him half of my long meadow land after my wife's decease; also I give him the  $\frac{1}{2}$  of my land in Wangunk meadow; also I give him the  $\frac{1}{2}$  of my Burch Swamp Pasture; also I give him my meadow at Goose Delight and all my Neck land that lyeth near sd. Goose Delight Meadow.

I give to my son Willet all my land at Timber Hill; also my lower lott in Boggy Meadow; also I give him the remainder of my land at Passonchoague after my grandson George hath had 2 acres more than what I have given him and his sister by deed of gift, and two acres to lye next to that which I have given him and his sister as above, and then all the remainder of my land there or thereabouts to be to my son Willet; also I give him  $\frac{1}{3}$  part of my lottment of land on the plain that lyeth easterly of land that belongeth to my brother Joseph Ranny and westerly of land belonging to my brother Ebenezer Ranny. I give to the heirs of my son George in this my will what I have given them by deed of gift. Also I give to my grandson George Ranny, the son of my son George Ranny decd. two acres of land adjoining to that which I have given to him and his sister by deed of gift, which is the two acres above specified. I give to my son Nathaniel the  $\frac{1}{2}$  of my now dwelling house and half of my barn,  $\frac{1}{3}$  of my land at home,  $\frac{1}{2}$  of my orchard at my decease and the other half at my wife's decease. I give to my three daughters Rebeca, Margaret and Anne,  $\frac{2}{3}$  of my moveable estate at my decease. Also I give to my three daughters all my lands that are already laid out in the last division on the east side of the Great River. Also I give them all my land in the Round Meadow. Also I give them all my land lying on the Heither Neck, so called. Also I give to my three sons all my propriety right in lands that are yet to be divided in Middletown. And whereas it is sayd in that part of my will that my son Willet shall have all my land at Timber Hill, it is to be understood that Willet is to accomodate his mother with pasturing for a cow or two if she needs it. I appoint my three sons, Thomas, Willet and Nathaniel, Executors.

THOMAS X. RANNY.

Witness: Joseph Ranny  
Roger Gipson, John Warner

Be it known to all men by these presents: That whereas I, Thomas Ranny of the Town of Middletown<sup>o</sup> have made my last will and testament in writing bearing date 31st January 1726-7, I the sd. Thomas Ranny, by this present codicil, do ratify and confirm my sd. last will and testament, and do will and bequeath to my three daughters, Rebeckah, Anne and Margaret, the sum of £20 in money or bills of credit of this Colony or the neighboring provinces, to be paid unto them by my son Willet on consideration of his having all my land at Timber Hill, the sd. £20 to be paid after my wife's decease.

Thomas X Ranny.

Witness: Joseph Ranny  
Roger Gipson, John Warner.

*Children:*

- 9 Thomas, b. Aug. 14, 1692.
- 10 Willett, b. Mar. 30, 1693-4.
- 11 George, b. Oct. 28, 1695.  
Rebecca, b. Dec. 10, 1700; m. Jonathan<sup>s</sup> Doolittle. (See the Doolittle Family.)
- 12 Nathaniel, b. June 17, 1702.

Ann, b. July 23, 1706.

Margaret, b. Aug. 21, 1708; m. Ebenezer<sup>s</sup> Ranney.

3 John<sup>2</sup> Ranney, (Thomas<sup>1</sup>), b. Nov. 14, 1662; m. Dec. 28, 1693, Hannah Turner, b. Mar. 4, 1678-9, Middletown, dau<sup>r</sup> of Edward Turner and Mary Sanford.

Edward Turner was in Milford, 1651; rem. to Middletown in 1665. In his will he names his daughter Hannah "now the wife of John Ranney." His tombstone in Riverside Cemetery says he died Apr. 4, 1717, aged 84. Richard Sanford was in Boston in 1640, in which year his wife Margery died.

John<sup>2</sup> Ranney and his wife were adm. to full communion in the Middletown ch. June 2, 1695; were original members of the North Society ch. organized Jan. 5, 1714-15. His homestead was next north of that of his brother Thomas. In 1717 he sold out and rem. to East Middletown where he and his wife were original members of the Third Society ch. organized 1721. The dates of their deaths are unknown.

*Children:*

- Marce<sup>s</sup>, b. Dec. 28, 1695, Upper Houses; m. July 19, 1722, East Middletown, John Hall, b. Aug. 19, 1699, Upper Houses, son of Deacon Samuel Hall and Sarah Hinsdale. She d. Oct. 1, 1762, he Feb. 3, 1767. *Children:*



Whereas the within writing debarreth  
y<sup>e</sup> within Namee Beriah Bacon, Entering into  
possession of the Homelot & house purchased of  
me for Ranny Land until the first day of April  
next, y<sup>e</sup> the Ranny do hereby Resign up, at  
present y<sup>e</sup> house and Land, Reserving liberty  
only of half y<sup>e</sup> house half the Ellar and the five  
acres within mentioned, until y<sup>e</sup> first of Octob<sup>r</sup>. ~~next~~  
~~next within y<sup>e</sup> said~~ and Liberty of y<sup>e</sup> Land until y<sup>e</sup>  
fifteenth of April next, that is to keep my Cattle  
to fodder. As Witness my hand this 17<sup>th</sup>  
Day of January A.D. 1727 John Ranny

no all men by this presents  
and signify the same <sup>of that</sup> Thomas  
Lony and Joseph Rany  
both of midston and both of  
us agree that the Dow of conu  
nee which we had of our bro  
ther John Lony is not new  
and sayd our Father for Resign  
the Town of Lony to make it so  
by undersiting the record as  
witness our hands

1710 Thomas Lony  
Joseph Rany

this Life, I give, demise, and dispose of the same in the following manner and form.

Imp<sup>o</sup>. I give and bequeath unto Mary my well beloved wife one third part of all my household goods whatsoever, and one good cow, six sheep, and one swine, all which to be at her own dispose. I also give her the improvement of one third part of all my buildings and improved lands and fire wood (which I have reserved for her in the deeds that I have given to my sons) During the time that she shall remain my widow.

And whereas I have by deeds of gift disposed of all my real estate to and among my three sons Joseph Daniel and Jonathan I also hereby give them all and every part of my personal estate whatsoever, that I have not herein given to my wife, Hereby also obliging my sd. three sons to pay all my just debts, funeral charges and legacies after mentioned, viz: to Edward Shepard & Mary Shepard the only children of my daughter Mary Shepard, Dec'd. the sum of forty pounds money, to my daughter Abigail Stocking the sum of forty pounds money, to my daughter Sibel Porter, the sum of forty pounds money, and to Lucia Stocking and Grace Stocking the only children of my daughter Rachel Stocking dec'd the sum of forty pounds money, which my sd sons shall pay in the parts following, Joseph forty five pounds thereof, Daniel forty five pounds thereof and Jonathan the remaining seventy pounds, which legacies my sd sons shall pay to such of my sd daughters and grandchildren as shall be of lawful age at my decease, one half thereof within three months after my decease and the other half within nine months after my decease and those of my sd grand children that shall not be of lawful age at my decease, shall receive their legacies as they come to lawful age.

And my will is that if one of the sd. children of either or both of my sd deceased daughters should decease before they attain to lawful age the survivor shall receive the whole of said forty pounds. But if both the sd children of either of my sd daughters should decease before they attain to lawful age, my will is that the said forty pounds shall remain to my said three sons.

And I do hereby nominate, constitute and appoint my said three sons Joseph Ranny, Daniel Ranny & Jonathan Ranny executors to this my last will and testament. Hereby ratify allowing and confirming this and no other to be my last will and testament.

In witness whereof I have hereto set my hand and seal the day and year before written

Joseph Ranny (Seal)

Signed, sealed, published and  
declared by the said Joseph

Ranny to be his last will

and Testament. In presence of, etc.

*Children:*

- 15 Mary, b. Dec. 14, 1694; m. Samuel Shepard.  
Elizabeth, b. Jan. 1, 1697; d. Jan. 9, 1723.
- 16 Joseph, b. Apr. 11, 1699.  
Abigail, b. Nov. 16, 1702; m. Dec. 20, 1726, Capt. Joseph Stocking. (See the Stocking Family.)
- Sybil, b. Mar. 10, 1704; m. Aug. 21, 1724 Amos Porter. *Children:* Rachel, Gideon, Amos, Lucretia, Asahel, Sybil, Medad.
- 17 Daniel, b. July 13, 1707.
- 18 Jonathan, b. Aug. 26, 1709.  
Rachel, b. Dec. 25, 1711, m. Jan. 26, 1737, Elisha Stocking. (See the Stocking Family.)

[STARR LINEAGE—Dr. Comfort<sup>1</sup> Starr, b. England, lived in Ashford Co., Kent, in the practice of his profession, was a man of wealth, position, and importance, being in 1631 Warden of St. Mary's church and in 1634 on a committee to repair the church. He having taken the oath of conformity to the orders and discipline of the Church of England, came from Sandwich, Co. Kent, Mar. 21, 1634-5, in the ship *Hercules* and made his residence in Newtowne, now Cambridge, Mass., where he practiced his profession. He rem. to Duxbury and in 1649 to Boston, where he d. Jan. 2, 1659-60. (See Starr Genealogy.)

Dr. Thomas Starr<sup>2</sup>, b. England; d. Oct. 26, 1658; m. Rachel Harris. He was appointed, May 17, 1637, chirurgion to the forces sent against the Pequots. He lived in Duxbury, Scituate, Yarmouth and Charlestown, where in 1654 he was "clerk of the writs."

Comfort<sup>3</sup> Starr, b. 1644, Scituate, Mass.; d. Oct. 18, 1693, Middletown, Conn.; m. in Boston, Marah Weld, bapt. Aug. 2, 1646, at Roxbury, dau. of Joseph Weld and Barbara Clapp. He went to New London in 1671, but soon rem. to Middletown, where he was granted lands in Mar., 1674-5. He left no will. The inventory names his children, Comfort 24, Joseph 17, Benjamin 15, Thomas 7, Daniel 1, Mary 22, Hannah 20, Rachel 10.]

[SHEPARD LINEAGE—Edward<sup>1</sup> Shepard, a cooper, was an early resident of Cambridge, Mass. He had six children.

Sergeant John<sup>2</sup> Shepard, b. abt. 1627, was made a freeman at Cambridge, Mass., in 1650; m. Oct. 1, 1649, Rebecca Greenhill, b. 1634, dau. of Samuel Greenhill. He had six children. Edward, the sixth, rem. to Hartford, residing on what is Lafayette street.

Edward<sup>3</sup> Shepard, b. July 31, 1662, Hartford, Conn.; d. Sept. 9, 1711, Upper Houses. He was granted land where the Cong. church now stands; m. Apr. 14, 1687, Abigail<sup>2</sup> Savage (John<sup>1</sup>), b. July 10, 1666; d. Oct. 16, 1719.

*Children:*

John, b. Feb. 19, 1688; m. Feb. 17, 1720, Sarah Clark, dau. of John Clark and Elizabeth White, dau. of Capt. Nathaniel. They rem. to East Middletown.

Edward, b. Dec. 18, 1689; d. Apr. 29, 1721.

Samuel, b. Apr. 18, 1692.]

5 Mary<sup>2</sup> Ranney (Thomas<sup>1</sup>), b. Oct. 1665, Upper Houses; m. May 20, 1682, John<sup>2</sup> Savage, b. Dec. 1, 1652, d. Oct. 31, 1726, son of John<sup>1</sup> Savage and Elizabeth Dublin. (See the Savage Family.) He was com<sup>d</sup>. Captain of the traine band in 1711. She d. Aug. 19, 1734. They were original members of the church in the North Society organized Jan. 5, 1714-15.

*Children:*

John, b. Feb. 20, 1683, d. Mar. 13, 1683.

Thomas<sup>3</sup>, b. Aug. 21, 1684; m. Mary Goodwin of Hartford. (John<sup>4</sup>, Huldah<sup>5</sup>, Hepzibah<sup>6</sup> Wilcox, Norris Galpin<sup>7</sup>, Henry Norris<sup>8</sup> Galpin, Ruth<sup>9</sup> Galpin, a Life Member of Soc. M. U. H., res, Berlin, Conn.)

John, b. Jan. 30, 1685; d. Aug. 20, 1686.

John, b. Aug. 7, 1688; d.—.

Mary, b. Feb. 11, 1690-1; m. Sept. 22, 1709, David Hurlbut, son of John Hurlbut and Mary Deming.

William, b. July, 1693; m. Nov. 6, 1729, Hannah<sup>3</sup> Savage, (William<sup>2</sup>, John<sup>1</sup>).

Elizabeth, b. July, 1696; m. Sept., 1725, Andrew<sup>4</sup> Cornwall, (William<sup>3</sup>, William<sup>2</sup>, William<sup>1</sup>).

Abigail, b. Dec. 1698; d. Mar. 1699.

Sarah, b. Sept., 1700; m. June 2, 1726, William<sup>3</sup> Savage, (William<sup>2</sup>, John<sup>1</sup>).

Rachel<sup>3</sup>, b. Jan. 15, 1703-4; m. Apr. 4, 1728, William Goodrich, (Mary<sup>4</sup>, Ruth<sup>5</sup> Watson, Ruth<sup>6</sup> Buck, James Gurdon<sup>7</sup> Taylor, b. Nov. 6, 1842; m. Apr. 13, 1865, Adelia M. Miner. Res. So. Glastonbury, Ct.)

Mercy, b. Apr. 10, 1706; m. Mar. 1, 1726-7, George<sup>4</sup> Stocking, (George<sup>3</sup>, Samuel<sup>2</sup>, George<sup>1</sup>).

6 Elizabeth<sup>2</sup> Ranney (Thomas<sup>1</sup>), b. Apr. 12, 1668, Upper Houses, m. Aug. 4, 1698, Jonathan<sup>3</sup> Warner, b. , son

of John<sup>2</sup> Warner, who came to Upper Houses about 1660, occupying the Robert Webster place, and grandson of Andrew<sup>1</sup> Warner. She was received into full com. of Middletown ch. July 28, 1695 and was an original member of the church organized in the North Society, Jan. 5, 1714-15. They rem. to East Middletown about 1710, where she was an original member of the Third Church organized in 1721. He d. Nov. 4, 1733. She d. Feb. 11, 1757. Both have gravestones.

*Children:*

Jonathan, b. July 2, 169—; d. July 6, 170—.

John, b. Aug. 16, 171—; d. Sept. 5, 171—.

7. Esther<sup>2</sup> Ranney (Thomas<sup>1</sup>), bapt. Apr. 22, 1673; m. Dec. 3, 1696, Nathaniel<sup>2</sup> Savage (John<sup>1</sup>), b. May 7, 1671, Upper Houses. He was 14 years of age when his father died and willed him the homestead. In 1709 he sold it to Lieut. Samuel Frary of Wethersfield and rem. to East Middletown where she was an original member of the third church, organized in 1721. He was Lieut. of the east side train band. and d Jan. 4, 1734-5; she d. Apr. 1, 1750. Both have gravestones.

*Children:*

Esther<sup>3</sup>, b. Sept. 2, 1697; d. Apr. 16, 1769; m. Apr. 2, 1724, William<sup>4</sup> Cornwall (William<sup>3</sup> <sup>2</sup> <sup>1</sup>). He had a grist mill in E. Middletown and d. Dec. 13, 1775. (Rachel<sup>4</sup> Cornwall, Prudence<sup>5</sup> Goodrich, Prudence<sup>6</sup> Dixon, Daniel<sup>7</sup> Penfield, Daniel Edward<sup>8</sup> Penfield, who m. Jan. 1, 1871, Alice<sup>8</sup> Buck, Silas<sup>7</sup> Buck, Erastus<sup>6</sup> Buck, Ruth<sup>5</sup> Watson, Mary<sup>4</sup> Goodrich, Rachel<sup>3</sup> Savage, Mary<sup>2</sup> Ranney, Thomas<sup>1</sup> D. E. Penfield and wife have Katie Louise, b. Feb. 24, 1874; d. Apr. 13, 1874. Res. Warren, Mass.) (John<sup>4</sup> Cornwall, Ozias<sup>5</sup>, Ellesworth<sup>6</sup>, Sally Melissa<sup>7</sup>, Sarah Jane<sup>8</sup>, b. Aug. 9, 1838; m. June 27, 1876, Russell Smith Taft, b. Jan. 28, 1835, Williston, Vt., d. Mar. 22, 1902, State Senator, Judge Probate, Chief Judge of Supreme Court of Vt. *Child:* Russell Wales, b. May 4, 1878, grad. 1898, m. Dec. 16, 1901, Winona Lee Brigham, dau. of Rev. Sidney Sumner Brigham; son Robert Brigham, b. Oct. 4, 1902. Res. of Mrs. Judge Taft and son, Burlington, Vt.)

Nathaniel, b. Oct. 3, 1698; d. Apr. 27, 1699.

Abigail, b. Apr. 9, 1700; m. Mar. 21, 1726-7, Stephen Boardman.

Susanna, b. June 29, 1702; m. Dec. 24, 1735, John Stephenson.

Mary, b. July 10, 1704; d. July 27, 1742.

Elizabeth, b. Jan. 27, 1707-8; m. Feb. 12, 1746, Gershom Goodrich.

John, b. Sept. 1, 1710.

Nathaniel, b. Oct. 29, 1713; d. Dec. 6, 1716.

Jabez, b. July 12, 1718; d. July 20, 1743.

8 Ebenezer<sup>2</sup> Ranney (Thomas<sup>1</sup>), b. abt. 1681, Upper Houses; m. Aug. 4, 1698, Sarah Warner, b. —————, dau of John Warner and —————. They resided on adjoining homesteads. She died Oct. 4, 1741. He died May 8, 1754. No tombstones. He had inherited the homestead. His will, May 24, 1748, gives "to my well beloved son, Ebenezer Ranny, all and singular my lands, messuages, tenements with two thirds of my horses, cattle and sheep, husbandry Emprovements of what kind soever and also my gun and war like stores of every sort, together with all my money, notes, bonds and other securities for money and all my wearing apparel with one third part of my household stuff and my will is that my son Ebenezer Ranny should keep winter and summer one cow and six sheep for my daughter Hannah Ranny so long as she lives unmarried.

To Hannah the south part of the house and what she needs of the cattel and two thirds parts of my household stuff during her life and if she have no lawful heir of her body to be distributed to my son Ebenezer and my daughter Ruth Moss.

To Ruth Moss £10 old tenner to be paid by my executor within 12 months after my decease.

Extracts from the inventory. "In old tenor money Rhode Island & Hampshire old tenour £77. 17-6. Conn. old tenour £17-6-6." Total was £901-2-6.

*Children:*

Sarah, b. Jan. 15, 1699; d. Sept. 4, 1742.

Hannah, b. Mar. 25, 1702; unm. in 1748.

19 Ebenezer, b. Nov. 22, 1704.

Ruth, b. Apr. 6, 1707; mm. Apr. 13, 1738, Theophilus Moss of Wallingford. *Children:*

Ebenezer, b. Nov. 25, 1740; m. Apr. 27, 1764, Esther Preston.

Esther, b. June 10, 1744; d. Aug. 25, 1744.

Ruth, b. Apr. 17, 1746.

Esther, b. Mar. 7, 1710; d. Oct. 7, 1741.

[MOSS LINEAGE—John<sup>1</sup> Moss was in New Haven as early as 1645. He was a prominent man there, frequently representing the people

in the General Court. In 1667 he was in Wallingford. In 1670 at the age of sixty-seven he was active in procuring an act of incorporation, giving the name of Wallingford to the town, after which he often represented this town in the Great and General Court. He d. in 1707, at the advanced age of one hundred and three. (See the Moss Genealogy.)

John<sup>2</sup> Moss, b. \_\_\_\_\_; m. 1677, Martha Lathrop, who d. Sept. 21, 1719. He d. Mar. 31, 1717. Ten children.

Deacon Samuel<sup>3</sup> Moss, b. Nov. 18, 1680; m. Dec. 15, 1703, Susannah Hall. He d. July 29, 1765; she d. Mar. 4, 1766, aged eighty-three years.

Theophilus<sup>4</sup> Moss, b. Oct. 24, 1704; m. Apr. 13, 1738, Ruth Ranney.]

### THIRD GENERATION

9 Thomas<sup>3</sup> Ranney (Thomas<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>), b. Aug. 14, 1692, Upper Houses; m. Feb. 26, 1720, Esther Wilcox, b. Oct. 31, 1699, Upper Houses, dau. of Ephraim<sup>3</sup> Wilcox (son of John<sup>2</sup> Wilcox and Esther Cornwall) and Silence Hand, dau. of Joseph Hand and Jane Wright of Guilford. By the will of his father he received the farm on which he was then residing and on which he lived till his death, Mar. 22, 1764. She died Oct. 3, 1779. This farm is now the S. V. Hubbard place, a mile north of the Church Green, and is on the main road to Hartford.

The estate was divided by agreement among the "aiers." The home lot comprised "seven aykers" and over. There had been advanced by deeds to Jeremiah £33-7-6; to Thomas £40; and to Ephraim £80. These three sons were to give their mother £7 per year for life. To "Abijay" was given half the house and home lot and £5 "rit" (right) in the "hous" and barn. Dorothy, ("Doole") and the other daughters each received money and other parts of the "parsnel a steat" (personal estate). The "distrebueshion" is signed by Widow Easter Ranney, and all the children except Abijah and Ephraim. The latter signed on returning on a visit from Westminster, Vt. Abijah bought the interests of the other heirs in the homestead and occupied it till 1795 when he disposed of it and removed to Sheffield, Mass.

#### *Children:*

20 Jeremiah, b. July 13, 1721.

21 Thomas, b. Feb. 13, 1723.

22 Ephraim, b. Apr. 10, 1725.

Desire, b. Sept. 3, 1727; m. Mar. 22, 1753, Moses Wilcox.

*Children:* John, Reuben, Joseph, Samuel, Mary, Reuben, Desire.

Esther, b. Feb. 11, 1730; d. unm. Jan. 18, 1817.

Dorothy, b. Nov. 29, 1732; d. unm. Mar. 15, 1799.

Azubah, b. Mar. 30, 1735; m. Oct. 24, — Lieut Charles<sup>5</sup> Butler, a Rev. soldier, (Charles<sup>4</sup>, Richard<sup>3</sup>, Joseph<sup>2</sup>, Dea. Richard<sup>1</sup>).

*Child:* Simeon, b. Aug. 13, 1755, deacon, in Rocky Hill Cong. ch. (See the Butler Family.)

Hope, b. Nov. 9, 1737; d. unm. Jan. 28, 1817.



Submit Hand, b. Feb. 17, 1740; m. Jan. 30, 1766, Dea. John Gaines of East Middletown.

23 Abijah, b. Aug. 28, 1743.

10 Willett<sup>3</sup> Ranney (Thomas<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>), b. Mar. 30, 1693-4, Upper Houses; m. (1) Apr. 20, 1720, New Haven, Ct., Anne Johnson, b. Feb., 1691, dau. of John<sup>3</sup> Johnson and Mabel Grannis. She d. Mar. 29, 1731, and he m. (2) Dec. 23, 1731, Deborah<sup>4</sup> White, b. Feb. 26, 1694, dau. of Jacob<sup>3</sup> White and Deborah Shepard. He was a favorite grandson, judging from the will of Thomas<sup>1</sup>. He received from his father the Timber Hill property, so that he had a farm of 90 acres. He built the mansion now owned and occupied by Mr. William Bergin, and which is at the base of Timber Hill. He was a slave holder and caused the negro children to be baptized. His tombstone indicates his standing in the community. He gave the homestead to his son Willett and purchased of Roger Gibson his homestead of four acres, north of the Thomas Stow house. He d. Sept. 5, 1751. And the name had become Ranney.

#### WILL OF WILLETT<sup>3</sup> RANNEY

In the Name of God Amen. The Second Day of September 1751.

I, Willit Ranney of Middletown in the County of Hartford & Coloney of Connecticut in New England Yeoman, Being sick and weak in Body, But of a Sound & perfect mind & memory thanks be given unto God: therefore Calling to mind the Mortality of the Body & knowing that it is appointed for all men once to Dye Do make & ordain this my Last & only Will & Testament that is to say Principally & first of all I give & Recommend my Soul into the Hand of God that gave it, And my Body I Recommend to the Earth to be buried in Decent Christian Buriel at the Discretion of my Executors: nothing doubting but at the General Resurrection I shall Receive the same again by the mighty power of God. And as Touching such worldly estate wherewith it hath pleased God to Bless me in this life I Give & Demise & Dispose of the same in the following Manner & Form

Imprimis. I give & Bequeath unto my well Beloved Wife Deborah Ranney all that she brought with her when we were Merried to be at her own disposal: & I give her the improvement of one of my Dwelling houses which she shall choose & the improvement of one Third part of my Home Lott I live on & the land Adjacent to it, & one Third of my Whitmore Lott, Gipson Lott wheRe my house stands & my Swamp Meadow Lott. This I give her so long

as she remains my Widow. I also give her two Good Feather Beds with proper furniture includeing what she brought with her: I give her two Cows which she shall Choose & a Heifer Coming two years old, & my Rideing Mare & ten sheep, as long as she is my widow. & my will is that my two Daughters Thankfull & Elizabeth should live in the house with their mother as long as they or Either of them shall remain unmerried, & in case my wife should Dye before either or both my above named Daughters shall merry Then they or either of them shall have the Privilege of living with my son Willet Ranney. My will is that my wife shall have wood brought to the Door by my son Willet Ranney sufficient to maintain one fire & well prepared for that purpose. My will is that the Creatures I have given to my wife shall be kept thro the Winter upon the hay I have provided, & also a sufficient quantity of Grain & Meal shall be given my wife out of my moveables to supply her & my two Daughters who are to live with her for the year Coming.

Item. I give & bequeath to my well beloved son Willit Ranney all my Lands & Buildings Except what shall be hereafter Disposed off to my Daughters I give my son Willit my Negro Man Peter, My team of four oxen & all my husbandry Tools my year old Coalt, my Gun & Sword & war like stores & also all my wearing Apperril & my will is that after my wife has received out of my moveables sufficient provision for the year for herself & two daughters Thankfull & Elizabeth Then what remains of my Moveable Money Bonds Book Debts shall be improved to pay my lawful Debts & funeral Charges & to make my two Daughters Thankfull & Elizabeth equal to what either of their sisters have received who are already Merried, & what Remains my will is shall be equally Diveded between all my children.

Item. I give & Bequeath to my well Beloved Daughters Thankfull Ranney Ann Sage Rebecca Savage, Deborah Sage & Elizabeth Ranney my House & Lott that was Roger Gipsons which lays adjoining unto William Savage & David Edwards: My Great Short Hill Lott that I bought of Ephriam Willcox: My Hether Short Hill Lott Bought of the widow Doolittle, my lott north side of mountain Swamp Joyning to Mr. Hugh White & John Kirbey containing about fifteen or sixteen acres & my Lott the back side of Long Hill which I bought of the Widow Wolcot I mean that part I Dont improve, I suppose it to contain about half the Lott. These Lands I give to be equally Divided between all my Daughters.

I do Hereby Constitute & appoint my well Beloved son Willit Ranney & Ebenezer Savage to be my Executors to see this my Last Will & Testament Ratified & fulfilled according to the true intent

& Meaning hereof, & I do utterly Disannul & make void all former Wills & Testiments & Ratify & Confirm this my Last & only Will & Testament. In Witness whereof I have hereunto Set my Hand & Seal the Day & year above written.

Willet Ranney (SEal)

Signed, Sealed, Published, Pronounced & DEclared by yhe said Willit Ranney as his Last Will & Testament in the Presence of us the Subscribers

Edward Eells

Churchel Edwards

Joseph Barns

*Children by 1st marriage:*

Thankful, b. Aug. 22, 1722; d. Apr. 6, 1768.

Anne, b. Oct. 9, 1723; m. Aug. 7, 1746, John<sup>4</sup> Sage 3d.

*Children:* Reuben, Simeon, John, Simeon, James, Ann, Lucy, Sybil, Olive. They built the Ranney-Adams house in 1761.

Rebecca, b. Oct. 3, 1726; m. Ebenezer Savage. (See the Savage Family.)

24 Willett, b. Mar. 29, 1731.

*Children by 2d marriage:*

Deborah, b. May 28, 1733; m. May 24, 1748, Lewis Samuel Sage. *Children:* Lemuel, Francis, Willett M. died in Rev. army, Lewis S., Deborah, Thankful, Millie, Jerusha, Hannah, Betsy.

Elizabeth, b. Mar. 17, 1734; m. Apr. 17, 1755, Jonathan Savage. He d. Apr. 4, 1805. She d. July 18, 1779. *Children,* settled in New York: Jonathan, James, Jacob, Elizabeth, Lucy, David, Moses, Eleazar, Jonathan, James.

[JOHNSON LINEAGE—Robert<sup>1</sup> Johnson, of New Haven, is said to have come from Yorkshire, England, with his four sons, John, Robert, Thomas, and William. He d. 1661.

William<sup>2</sup> Johnson (Robert<sup>1</sup>), b. abt. 1630, settled at Guilford, Conn., as early as 1653. He was deacon, town clerk, and many times deputy, from 1665 to 1694. He married (1) Elizabeth, daughter of Francis Bushnell, wh. died<sup>o</sup> Oct. 27, 1702. He married (2) Mary Sage, daughter of David Sage of Upper Houses. Their son Samuel was the first president of King's College. There were eleven children.

John<sup>2</sup> Johnson (Robert<sup>1</sup>), b. in England. Married Hannah, dau. of John and Hannah Parmelee of Guilford. His estate was probated in 1687. She was living as late as 1693. They had nine children.

John<sup>3</sup> Johnson (John<sup>2</sup>, Robert<sup>1</sup>), b. Aug. 27, 1661; m. Mar. 2, 1684-5, Mabel Grannis, dau. of Edward Grannis and (his 2d wife) Hannah<sup>2</sup> Wakefield (John<sup>1</sup> of New Haven). His will was made Dec. 10, 1712, recorded, vol. 4, page 117, New Haven Probate Records.

*Children:*

Thomas, b. Jan. 12, 1689-90. Rem. to Upper Houses.

Anne, b. Feb., 1691; m. Willett Ranney.

Hannah, b. May 23, 1710; m. Benjamin Hand of Middletown, son of Benj. and Sarah (Ward) Hand.]

11 George<sup>3</sup> Ranney (Thomas<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>), b. Oct. 28, 1695, Upper Houses; m. \_\_\_\_\_ Mary Hale, b. \_\_\_\_\_ Glastonbury, Conn., dau. of Thomas Hale, cordwinder, and Mercy Hurlbut. Mr. Hale in 1711 purchased 125 acres in East Middletown. His will, filed in Hartford, gives property to the two grandchildren named herein. Mr. Ranney was one of those who removed to East Middletown. Just after his untimely death his father executed a deed to his son's "heirs," not naming them. These children were brought up in the family of Grandmother Hale, according to a tradition. He died March 28, 1725. She died Nov. 26, 1749. Both have tombstones in East Middletown. Their children in 1752 executed deeds by which George became the sole owner of the Hale homestead. It descended to Jonathan<sup>5</sup> Ranney who died on it.

*Children:*

25 George, bapt. Apr. 14, 1723.

Mary, bapt. Apr. 11, 1725. She married (1) Joseph Bush who d. June 12, 1749, at Surinam, "as per account; (2) 1749-54, Thomas Davis who united with her, 1754, in releasing to George their interest in the Hale homestead.

[HURLBUT LINEAGE—Thomas<sup>1</sup> Hurlbut came in 1635 to Saybrook with Lion Gardiner and was wounded in the fight with the Indians. He rem. to Wethersfield. (See Hurlbut Genealogy.)

John<sup>2</sup> Hurlbut, blacksmith, settled in Middletown.

Mercy<sup>3</sup> Hurlbut, b. Feb. 19, 1680-1; m. Thomas Hale.]

[HALE LINEAGE—Samuel<sup>1</sup> Haile or Hale, b. 1610, was in 1637 in Wethersfield; served in the Pequot War; leased, 1660, the estate of Governor Thomas Welles on the Glastonbury (east) side of the Connecticut River; d. Nov. 9, 1693, Glastonbury.

John<sup>2</sup> Hale, b. Feb. 21, 1647, Wethersfield side of the river; m. May 8, 1668, Hannah Nott. He d. July 19, 1709.

Thomas<sup>3</sup> Hale, b. Sept., 1675; m. Mercy Hurlbut, b. Feb. 17, 1680-1, Middletown. In his will, 1743, he gave to his grandson, George Ranney, the care of his negro man, and made him sole executor. The will contains bequests to his daughter, Mary Ranney, and granddaughter, Mary Ranney.]

12 Nathaniel<sup>3</sup> Ranney (Thomas<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>), b. June 17, 1702, Upper Houses; m. (1) May 13, 1731, Dorothy Hale, b. ; d. Sept. 26, 1732; m. (2) Jan. 16, 1733-4, Rachel<sup>3</sup> Sage, b. Jan. 1, 1707-8; d. Feb. 24, 1755, dau. of Jonathan<sup>2</sup> Sage and Ann Bodwell; m. (3) Nov. 25, 1756, widow Thankful Willard, b. ; d. Apr. 3, 1766. He inherited his father's homestead and d. Sept. 25, 1766. No gravestones.

*Children by 2d marriage:*

- 26 Nathaniel, b. July 16, 1735.  
 Ozias, b. Aug. 22, 1736; d. Sept. 13, 1736.  
 Rachel, } b. Nov. 1, 1737; d. Nov. 4, 1737.  
 Naomi. }  
 Rachel, b. July 3, 1742; m. Apr. 11, 1768, Elisha Spencer.  
*Child:* Ozias.  
 Ozias, b. Mar. 15, 1744; d. "by estimate Nov. 15, 1762" in French-Indian War.
- 27 Abraham, bapt. June 7, 1746.  
 Amos, bapt. May 22, 1748, served in Rev. War, d. unm. 1786.

13 John<sup>3</sup> Ranney (John<sup>2</sup> Thomas<sup>1</sup>), b. Oct. 1, 1703, Upper Houses; bapt. same day; m. (1) Mar. 17, 1723-4, Eunice Wright, b. ; d. Sept. 20, 1730, dau. of Jonas Wright; m. (2) Feb. 25, 1730-31, Martha Miller, b. Mar. 28, 1705; d. Jan. 4, 1799, the church record says "94 yrs. 2 m. 1 d. Lived for years with her son-in-law Turpin." John Ranney was a drummer, 1745, in the Regt. sent to capture Louisburg. In 1755 John Ranney and John Ranney, Jr., served together in 4th Co., 1st Regt., French-Indian War. A John Ranney served in 1757, 1758, 1759 and 1760. John, Sr., died Sept. 18, 1760, in the hospital at Oswegatchie. Martha Miller was sister to Margery who m. Richard Ranney.

*Children by 1st marriage:*

- Elizabeth, b. Apr. 12, 1726.  
 Eunice, b. Nov. 7, 1727; m. Mar. 29, 1750, Isaac Gill who d. July 4, 1759 at sea. *Children:* Hannah, Elizabeth, Sarah, Joshua, Mary.  
 Hannah, b. Aug. 24, 1730.

*Children by 2d marriage:*

- 28 John, b. Sept. 23, 1731.  
 Martha, bapt. Jan. 30, 1733-4.  
 Timothy, bapt. Jan. 27, 1735-6. In 1755-6 served in French-Indian War.  
 Seth, bapt. Feb. 19, 1737-8.  
 Huldah, bapt. Feb. 4, 1740; m. Aug. 21, 1764, Wm. Lucas of New Haven.  
 Lucia, bapt. Apr. 11, 1742; m. Nov. 2, 1762, Henry Turpan (Turpin).
- 29 Amos, bapt. Apr. 22, 1744.

14 Richard<sup>3</sup> Ranney (John<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>), b. Feb. 18, 1705, Upper Houses; m. Nov. 9, 1729, East Middletown, Margery Miller, b. Feb. 23, 1706-7; dau. of John Miller and Marcy Bevins. Probate records say he died Sept. 16, 1759. A Richard Ranney served Apr. 19-Sept. 30, 1758, in 7th Co., 1st Regt. Richard, Sr., owned a drum as per his inventory. But as four sons, one of them Richard, were in the service, it is left without an opinion. According to the land records he could sing:

“No foot of land do I possess.”

There was in East Middletown a very intelligent Indian called Richard Ranney, a member of the Cong. ch. He applied for and obtained through the Legislature his share (10 acres) of the Indian Reservation. He res. in Newtown, Ct., when he sold it. The Mass. Muster Rolls show that Richard Ranney of Stockbridge was a private in Capt. Wm. Goodrich's Co. of Indians and enlisted Aug. 9, 1775.

*Children:*

- 30 Jeremiah, b. Dec. 17, 1730.  
 Richard, b. Sept. 8, 1732.
- 31 Elijah, b. Oct. 6, 1735.
- 32 Stephen, b. Jan. 15, 1737-8.  
 Marcy, bapt. Dec. 30, 1739.  
 Mary, b. Nov. 7, 1740.  
 Jabez, b. Feb. 12, 1742-3; m. Jan. 15, 1767, Penelope Bowers. He served 1759 and 1762, in French-Indian War, also in Rev. War. Died May 16, 1811.  
 Edward, b. Apr. 29, 1746, served in French-Indian War, 1759, 1760, 1761, and died in the service “by estimate Nov. 15, 1762.”
- 33 Abner, b. Mar. 15, 1747-8.  
 Hannah, b. Apr. 5, 1750; m. Joel Hall. (See the Hall Family.)  
 Mary, b. Feb. 13, 1754.



TOMBSTONES OF JOSEPH<sup>2</sup> RANNEY AND WIFE  
 (See page 155)



TOMBSTONES OF JOSEPH<sup>2</sup> RANNEY AND WIFE  
 (See page 169)



SYCAMORE TREES OF 1725  
(See page 169)

John Warner Dies  
 Married to Anne his W.  
 December the 14<sup>th</sup> 1699  
 John Warner Daughter to  
 John Dad, Anne his wife was  
 born: year. the 21: 1702 =  
 Legal Warner Daughter to  
 John Warner and Anne his wife  
 born November 18: 1704  
 John Warner Son to John  
 Warner and Anne his wife  
 was born March 31: 1709  
 the Death of Ann Warner Daughter  
 was some time before was found  
 the 1<sup>st</sup> of 1710  
 John Warner son to John Warner and  
 Anne his wife was born March 16: 1711  
 John Warner 1<sup>st</sup> Lt. at Sea  
 was sent to John Warner  
 was born September 14 1711  
 John Warner 2<sup>d</sup> Lt. at Sea



15 Mary<sup>3</sup> Ranney (Joseph<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>), b. Dec. 14, 1694, Upper Houses; m. Apr. 15, 1715, Samuel Shepard, b. Apr. 18, 1692. He was deacon from Dec. 3, 1745, to his death by drowning in the Connecticut River, Apr. 9, 1750. She d. Mar. 13, 1731-2, and he m. (?) Christian<sup>3</sup> Savage (Wm.<sup>2</sup>, John<sup>1</sup>). (See the Shepard Family.)

*Children by 1st marriage:*

Edward, b. July 24, 1721; m. Hepzibah Johnson. She m. (2) Dr. Aaron Roberts.  
Mary, b. Sept. 14, 1731; d. Sept. 14, 1742.

16 Capt. Joseph<sup>3</sup> Ranney (Joseph<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>), b. Apr. 11, 1699, Upper Houses; m. July 21, 1725, Abigail<sup>4</sup> Warner, b. Nov. 18, 1704, dau. Capt. John<sup>3</sup> Warner (Andrew<sup>2</sup>, Andrew<sup>1</sup>) and Anne<sup>2</sup> Ward, dau. of Ensign Wm.<sup>1</sup> Ward. He was given an eight-acre lot which had been given to his father by his grandfather. It is located on the east side of the upper green. The sycamores, seen herewith and still in their prime, were set out by him in all probability at the time he built or his father built for him. His will, dated Jan. 8, 1780, gave to Stephen and Hezekiah, and to the male heirs of his deceased son, Fletcher, all his land not already deeded to them, in equal portions, excepting the land in Far Neck and Round Meadow, which he gave to his grandson Joseph, the eldest son of Fletcher. To his granddaughter, Grace Stephenson, he gave his case of drawers and one table. To his daughters, Rhoda, Abigail and Huldah, all his "indoor movables." To Hezekiah all his husbandry tools. The two sons were to give £10 to Rhoda "to make good their promise." And Joseph and the two sons were to give £5 more to Rhoda. He had built a house for Fletcher, which stood till 1903 and which is seen herewith. Hezekiah retained the homestead and Stephen was a shipbuilder in Lower Middletown. He died Oct. 18, 1783; she died Feb. 14, 1777. Both have fine tombstones seen herewith.

*Children:*

- 34 Fletcher, b. Apr. 29, 1726.  
Joseph, b. June 3, 1728; d. ———.
- 35 Stephen, b. Sept. 19, 1730.  
Lois, b. Aug. 2, 1733; m. May 11, 1756, Robert Stevenson.  
*Child:* Grace.  
Hezekiah, b. Apr. 1, 1736; d. Nov. 8, 1741.
- 36 Hezekiah, b. Sept. 1, 1742.  
Rhoda, b. June 27, 1738; m. Feb. 23, 1775, Edward Little.  
Abigail, b. Apr. 18, 1745; m. Dec. 1, 1766, Elisha Wilcox.

Huldah, bapt. July 24, 1748; m. Dec. 24, 1772, Capt. Nathan Sage, the noted shipbuilder and captain of various merchant ships. He commanded in the Rev. War the vessels *Hunter* and *Middletown* and captured a British powder ship. At his marriage he purchased the original Savage homestead, but in 1776 he purchased the Rev. Joseph Smith house. He lost it abt. 1795 through debt. He then went to N. York State; was a judge, and then for 30 years Collector of Customs in Oswego, N. Y., where they are buried. His daughter Huldah m. (1) Normand Knox, (2) Russell Bunce, both of Hartford. Two sons died early and are buried here.

17 Daniel<sup>3</sup> Ranney (Joseph<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>), b. July 13, 1707, Upper Houses; m. Jan. 20, 1730, Esther Stow, b. Feb. 20, 1705-6, d. July 24, 1750, dau. of Dea. Samuel<sup>4</sup> Stow (Thomas<sup>3</sup>, Thomas<sup>2</sup>, John<sup>1</sup>) and Esther Mould, dau. of Hugh Mould and Martha Coit of New London, Ct. He died Sept. 27, 1758, and his gravestone indicates his high standing. He was a captain in the merchant service. His first residence was the one-story house which stood till recently on the homestead. He purchased of Charles Wilcox the present D. B. Marsh house and grounds. In the last years of his life he erected the mansion now known as the Wightman house and owned by his descendants. The inventory included silk hose, knee buckles, shoe buckles, stock buckles, 2 johannas, quadrant, 3 old mariner's books, 2 old Bibles, 1 Testament, 7 beaker glasses, 1 glass punch bowl and cover. His slaves were London, £40; Phil, £40; George, £35; Jenny, £25; Peter, £18. His total property was valued at £1609-15-0. In the distribution to each of the three daughters it reads, "Her part of Peter." Comfort Butler and his wife, Sybil Ranney, sold their house and lot, the original Thomas Hubbard house, and rem. to the Daniel Ranney mansion. From them the Daniel Ranney mansion went to Capt. James Butler, then to S. K. Wightman, son-in-law, and is now held by his heirs.

*Children:*

- Hezekiah, b. Feb. 1, 1731; d. Feb. 15, 1731.  
 Daniel, b. Jan. 13, 1732-3; d. ————, 1733.  
 Mary, b. July 20, 1736; d. Nov. 18, 1741.  
 37 Lucretia, b. Mar. 12, 1737-8; m. May 16, 1755, Nathaniel<sup>4</sup>  
 Hamlin. (Richard<sup>3</sup>, William<sup>2</sup>, Giles<sup>1</sup>.)  
 Marah, b. Feb. 24, 1743; m. Mar. 20, 1760, Stephen Jenkins,  
 a shipbuilder. They rem. to Providence, R. I., and in  
 1796 she was residing in Savannah, Ga.

Sybil, b. Aug. 29, 1744; m. May 2, 1762, Comfort Butler  
(See the Butler Family.)

18 Jonathan<sup>3</sup> Ranney (Joseph<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>), b. Aug. 26, 1709, Upper Houses; m. Aug. 27, 1738, Guilford, Ct., Anna Parmelee, b. Mar. 27, 1720, dau. of Ebenezer Parmelee and Hannah Cruttenden. Hannah Cruttenden, b. May 10, 1701, was the sixth child of Abraham Cruttenden of Guilford, who had m. May 6, 1686, Susanna<sup>2</sup> Kirby (John<sup>1</sup>). Jonathan Ranney remained with his father and after his death sold the homestead which had fallen to him and rem. to Guilford, where he d. July 30, 1773. The widow d. Oct. 22, 1785.

*Children:*

Anna, b. July 12, 1739; m. John Stone.

Rachel, b. Jan. 29, 1741; m. Dec. 22, 1764, Samuel Caldwell, son of John, who came 1718 from Scotland.

38 Jonathan, bapt. May 20, 1744.

Ruth, bapt. Apr. 8, 1750; m. Thomas Powers.

Phineas, bapt. Nov. 4, 1753; d. unm. Oct. 3, 1769, Middletown, Ct.

Reuben, bapt. ——— —, ———; m. July 17, 1768, Lucinda Ward of Saybrook. She died Aug. 21, 1821. *Children:*

Ruth, b. ——— —, ———; m. Joel Shelly.

Betsy, b. ——— —, ———; m. Peletiah Leete.

George, b. ——— —, ———; m. Nov. 24, 1786, Guilford, Lucy Sanford. He enlisted in Rev. Army from Guilford. Rem. to Lisle, N. Y., where he was pensioned.

19 Ebenezer<sup>3</sup> Ranney (Ebenezer<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>), b. Nov. 22, 1704, Upper Houses; rec'd to full com. Jan. 13, 1741; m. Nov. 25, 1742, Margaret<sup>3</sup> Ranney (Thomas<sup>2</sup>), b. Aug. 21, 1708, rec'd to full com. July 22, 1739. She d. July 28, 1783; he d. Dec. 22, 1783. No gravestones. He had inherited the original Ranney homestead. By his will, dated Dec. 24, 1778, he gave to his well-beloved wife, Margaret, "½ part of my buildings and lands during her natural life and all my indore movables to her disposal. To Ebenezer, my beloved son, whom I constitute and ordain the sole executor, all my lands, buildings and tenements, except the south end of my cold spring plain lot, and all my stock and husbandry tools. To my son-in-law, Nathaniel Smith, 10 acres of land at the S. E. cor. of my cold spring plain lot and this I give him for what he did for Lucy at her marriage. The remainder of the sd lot I give to my two beloved daughters Sarah Smith, now the wife of Nathaniel Smith and Lucy Sage now the wife of Reuben Sage."

*Children:*

Sarah, bapt. Sept. 17, 1743; d. Sept. 23, 1786; m. Apr. 2, 1766, Nathaniel<sup>5</sup> Smith (Joseph<sup>4</sup>, Rev. Joseph<sup>3</sup>). Miss Anna Francis of Glenbrook, Ct., is descended from them.

George, bapt. Sept. 29, 1745; d. July 18, 1847.

39 Ebenezer, bapt. Apr. 24, 1748.

Lucy, bapt. Feb. 25, 1749; m. Aug. 16, 1772, Reuben Sage.

*Children:* James, Luther, Reuben, Luther, Russell, George, Ezekiel, George, Sophia, Ruth, Lucy.

Willet Rannely

Samuel Rannely

## FOURTH GENERATION

20 Jeremiah<sup>4</sup> Ranney (Thomas<sup>3</sup>, Thomas<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>), b. June 13, 1720, Upper Houses; m. Dec. 30, 1742, Upper Houses, Martha Stow, b. May 6, 1721, dau. of Thomas Stow and Martha White. (See Stow and White chapters.) The house in which she was born is given herewith. In 1743 Nathaniel Eells sold to Daniel Ranney, and he sold to Jeremiah Ranney, a small lot from the southeast corner of the Eells homestead. Here Jeremiah Ranney built a house and a blacksmith shop, and probably set out the elm tree still standing. The house was torn down in 1857 and the Methodist Church was erected on its site. The view of Main street looking north shows this church and the great elm tree. Jeremiah sold out to Francis Whitmore when he removed to Bethlehem, taking a church letter with him. He d. in Bethlehem, Ct., June 14, 1801.

### *Children:*

- 40 Thomas Stow, b. May 20, 1744, Upper Houses.  
Martha, b. Jan. 29, 1746, Upper Houses.  
Jeremiah, b. Feb. 28, 1748-9, Upper Houses.
- 41 Nathan, b. June 20, 1751, Upper Houses.  
Rebecca, b. Oct. 8, 1753, Upper Houses.
- 42 Solomon, b. ——— —, 1756; Bethlehem.  
George, b. ——— —, ———; killed in Stony Point battle,  
Rev. War.
- 43 Stephen, b. May 24, 1761.
- 44 Julius, b. ——— —, 1765.

21 Dea. Thomas<sup>4</sup> Ranney (Thomas<sup>3</sup>, Thomas<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>), b. Feb. 17, 1723, Upper Houses; m. Feb. 25, 1747, Mary Little, who brought a letter from a church in the town of Farmington. (A Dr. Sylvester Little practised medicine in the Upper Houses 1742-47.) Thomas Ranney was "granted" the land known as "Prospect Hill" and built thereon what is now known as the "West Cottage" of the "Cromwell Hall" Sanitarium. The view of Middletown described in his diary of 1771 by John Adams was from this vantage ground. The "View of Middletown" given herewith is copied from "Barber's Collections" of 1835, when the stage coach passed close to the Ranney house abutting on the turnpike laid out in 1802. Thomas Ranney was corporal in the

Rev. War. In 1780 he sold to Matthew Wells of Long Island and removed to Westminster West, Vt., where his son William had gone in 1777. He d. Nov. 8, 1909. His wife had d. Feb. 23, 1799, aged 80 years.

*Children:*

45 William, b. Sept. 18, 1753.

Rebecca, b. ———, —, 1755.

22 Ephraim<sup>4</sup> Ranney (Thomas<sup>3</sup>, Thomas<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>), b. Apr. 10, 1725-6, Upper Houses; m. Nov. 26, 1747, East Middletown, Silence<sup>5</sup> Wilcox, b. Apr. 19, 1726, East Middletown, dau. of Janna<sup>4</sup> Wilcox (Ephraim<sup>3</sup>, John<sup>2</sup>, John<sup>1</sup>) and Rachel Boardman. They res. in Upper Houses till 1755, when he bought a 60-acre farm in Haddam, Ct. In 1761 he rem. to Westminster, Vt., where he purchased lot No. 7, Mar., 1761, on the bank of the Conn. River. He kept a tavern, was one of the seven founders of the church there and its first deacon, as he was the first Ranney to hold that office. He was a justice of the peace and 2d Lieut. in the Southern Regt. of Militia. He and four sons, Ephraim, Jr., Elijah, Daniel and Waitstill, served in the Rev. War. (See Hall's Eastern Vermont and Vermont Muster Rolls of Rev. War.) He lived to see his eleven children married, and but one of them died before him. He was a man of sterling character, and Silence travelled on horseback with her stock of herbs, being a doctress of considerable reputation. In the Westminster Cemetery are their graves, with headstones bearing these inscriptions:

*Ephraim Ranney*

*Erected in memory of Dea  
Ephraim Ranney who died  
June 9, 1811 after a long and  
painful sickness in the 87  
year of his age.*

*Spectator dost thou desire this silent stone to speak the virtues of the man whose mortal part is here interred. Let it only say he was an affectionate Husband, a tender Parent and an Ornament in Society. When receiving the bitter cup of affliction he could say, "Not my will but thine, O Lord, be done."*

*Erected in memory of Mrs  
Silence, the amiable consort of  
Deac. Ephraim Ranney who  
died April 10, 1811 in the 85  
year of her age.*

*To you my children and my friends  
Which I have left behind,  
Come view this solemn monument,  
And here instruction find.*

*Children:*

46 Ephraim, b. Oct. 27, 1748.

47 Elijah, b. Mar. 14, 1750.

48 Daniel, b. Feb. 5, 1753.

Rachel, b. May 27,

1755; d. Apr. 6,

1630; m. Job Dick-

enson.

*Children:*

Job, Ephraim, Ira, Rachel, Mary, Esther, Huldah, Rebecca.

Silence, b. Mar. 18, 1757; m. ——— Goold of Chester, Vt.

Lydia, b. Apr. 18, 1759; m. William<sup>5</sup> Ranney (Thomas<sup>4</sup>).

49 Waitstill, b. Jan. 3, 1762.

50 Esther, b. July 28, 1764; m. Seth Arnold.

51 Janna, b. June 11, 1766.

52 Joel, b. Mar. 2, 1768.

53 Benjamin, b. Sept. 18, 1770.

23 Abijah<sup>4</sup> Ranney (Thomas<sup>3</sup>, Thomas<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>), b. Aug. 28, 1743, Upper Houses; m. ———, Lucy———. He inherited part of the homestead, and purchased the parts which had been given to the other children. In 1795 he rem. to Sheffield, Mass. He m. (2) after May 7, 1803, widow Hannah Talcott of Glastonbury, who in his will is named "Annar." He d. Feb. 12, 1821. The dog story as given by the Hon. T. H. L. Talcott of Glastonbury, her grandson, is as follows:

Captain Abijah Ranney of Sheffield, Mass., was a son of one of the first settlers. The Captain lived in Cromwell until he had grown to manhood. He married for his second wife Mrs. Annah Stillman Talcott of Glastonbury, grandmother of Judge Thomas H. L. Talcott of that town. Captain Ranney was the owner of a dog remarkable in many ways, and who once saved the Captain from being robbed, and, perhaps, murdered. Judge Talcott often heard the story in his youth, and related the tale to a reporter recently. The story runs as follows:

Early one morning a man called at the Captain's house and said the Captain's dog was killing his sheep. Captain Ranney said it couldn't be his dog, as the canine was shut up in the woodshed and had not been let out that morning. They visited the woodshed and found the dog in his bed. The man said: "It isn't your dog that is killing the sheep, but one that looks just

like him." Other complaints were made, but on going to the woodshed the dog was always there. Finally one morning a man drove up at top speed and said to the Captain: "Your dog is in my sheep; I left him there and raced my horse to get here before he did."

"Well," said Captain Ranney, "we will look in the woodshed."

They went to the shed. The dog was there, but covered with blood and licking himself. The only way out of the shed, except by the door, was a small opening just a little larger than the dog's body and about four feet from the floor and the same distance from the ground outside. Through this small opening the dog had leaped in and out in his trips to the sheep field. The idea that the dog could use the opening to enter and leave the shed had not occurred to the Captain, and he was greatly surprised. Turning to the visitor he said: "It is my dog that is killing sheep! I won't keep a dog that kills sheep." He told his sons to tie the dog up back of the barn, and that after breakfast he would shoot him. The boys put a rope on the dog, and evidently tied it very loosely, as they felt bad at the idea of losing the dog, who was much liked by the family. When the Captain and the boys went out after breakfast the dog was gone. He was not seen again in Sheffield that summer, and no more sheep were killed.

Captain Ranney sold his cheese and other farm products to a merchant over the New York State line. It was the custom to collect in the fall for the product taken. The fall of the same year in which the dog left his home, Captain Ranney went on horseback to the New York town, made a settlement with the merchant and was then ready to start for home, intending to go to the next village, where he would remain over night. It was nearly dark, and the merchant and others tried to persuade him not to start until morning. There was a long and dark piece of woods between the two villages, and several persons, who had started to go from one village to the other, had never been seen after entering the woods. It was supposed that they had been murdered.

Captain Ranney said he had a good horse and thought he would get through all right. He had proceeded well into the woods when a man sprang into the road from behind a large rock, and grasped the horse by the bridle. A large dog followed the man. The man said to the dog, "Seize him!" The dog looked up at the Captain and whined. The man repeated, "Seize him, I tell you, seize him!" Still the dog would not obey the man. Captain Ranney looked at the canine and saw it was his old dog. He turned to the man, who still held the bridle, and said: "You



have tried your luck with the dog, now I'll try mine." He called the dog by his old name and said, "Seize him!" The dog instantly jumped at the robber and had him by the throat, tearing open his jugular vein. The dog looked up at Captain Ranney and whined. The Captain said to him. "You can go home with me. I'll keep you now if you kill all the sheep in Sheffield." The dog leaped about in an ecstasy of joy at meeting his old master again and the permission to return home with him. Captain Ranney continued on to the next village and reported to the officers. A posse started at once and found the dead body of the man near the rock. The next day there was a general turning out of the men of the village, who made a thorough search of the woods to find the quarters of the robber. They found the place about a mile from the road. There were evidences of graves of several persons, the skeleton of a horse, and a peddler's wagon, accounting for the mysterious disappearance of a peddler some months before and also of other persons.

Evidently the man had trained the dog to aid him in killing his victims.

Captain Ranney continued home the day after his adventure, taking his dog with him. Great was the joy of the family at seeing the animal again, and it is not stated that he was ever again guilty of killing sheep.

*Children:*

Lucy, bapt. Aug. 30, 1772; d. Nov. 24, 1803; m. Oct. 10, 1791, Capt. John<sup>6</sup> Smith (Capt. John<sup>5</sup>, Joseph<sup>4</sup>, Rev. Joseph<sup>3</sup>). Daughter, Lucy, bapt. July 7, 1793; m. Hon. Elisha Phelps of Simsbury, Congressman many terms; son, John Smith Phelps, was Gov. of Missouri. His dau. is Mrs. J. B. Montgomery of Portland, Oregon. Her son is Col. Phelps Montgomery of New Haven, Ct. (See the Phelps Genealogy.)

Oliver, bapt. Apr. 4, 1779; d. Nov. 30, 1784.

Luther, bapt. June 3, 1781; m. ———, ———, Prudence ———. He d. 1835. She m. (2) ——— Noteware.

Oliver, bapt. Sept. 19, 1790; m. ———, ———, Chloe ———; d. Sept. 3, 1852, Sheffield, Mass. Had son, Garrett, d. before 1855. *Children:*

Lucy Ann, b. ———; m. Geo. W. Gorham.

Mary, b. ———, ———.

Achsah, b. ———, ———; d. before 1821; m. Sylvester Root of Sheffield, Mass. *Children:* Lucy, Birdsey, Clarissa, m. ——— Trowbridge.

24 Willett<sup>4</sup> Ranney (Willett<sup>3</sup>, Thomas<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>), b. Mar. 28, 1731, Upper Houses; m. Nov. 19, 1752, Upper Houses, Mary Butler, dau. of Benjamin Butler and Thankful Sage. (See the Butler and Sage Families.) His father deeded to him the homestead of 90 acres and removed to the Roger Gibson place of 4 acres. In 1761 Willett, Jr., sold his homestead to Deacon Solomon Sage and purchased the homestead of his father-in-law, who had been lost at sea, 1749. In January, 1776, he sold the Butler homestead to his brother-in-law, Capt. Eli Butler, and rem. to Sandisfield, Berkshire Co., Western Mass., then just opened to settlement. His Revolutionary service there was as follows: Private in Capt. Samuel Wolcott's Co., Col. Hopkins' Regt., July 16, 1776—Aug. 5, 1776; marched to Highlands, N. Y.; private Capt. Elijah Deming's Co., Col. John Ashley's Regt., July 8, 1777—July 28, 1777, called out by order Maj. Gen. Schuyler to march to relief of Fort Edward; private, same Co., Col. John Ashley's Regt., Sept. 19, 1777—Oct. 4, 1777, under Brig. Gen. Fellows, ordered out by Gen. Gates to reinforce the Northern Army. Rem. 1778 to New Lebanon, N. Y., and was next known with his large family at Fort Stanwix, now Rome, N. Y.

In the year 1786-7, the settlements of the English beyond German Flatts, the outpost of the Germans on the Mohawk, consisted of three log houses at Utica, seven at Whitesboro, three at Oriskany and four at Fort Stanwix, now Rome (Jones's Annals of Oneida Co.). Daniel E. Wager, in his History of Oneida County, says: "The next settlers in what is now Oneida Co. came from Connecticut in 1785 or 1786, and located in the shadow of Fort Stanwix. They were all related to each other by blood, or connected by marriage. Their names were as follows: Willett Ranney, Sr., with a family of eleven children, all grown to maturity, and the most if not all married; Seth Ranney, one of the sons, with wife and children, located northeast of the present Rome court house; Nathaniel Gilbert and David I. Andrus, both of whom had married in the Ranney family."

Elkanah Watson, famous as the first importer of Merino sheep, made a trip through this section in 1788, and at Fort Stanwix wrote in his diary:

"Settlers are continually pouring in from the Connecticut hive, which throws off its annual swarms of intelligent, industrious and enterprising emigrants, the best qualified to overcome and civilize the wilderness. They already estimate 300 brother Yankees on the muster list, and in a few years hence they will undoubtedly be able to raise a formidable barrier to oppose the incursion of the savages, in case of another war."

On Oct. 22, 1784, General Lafayette and others representing the United States had met the Six Nations at Fort Stanwix and had made a treaty concerning giving up captives and regulating boundaries, and while they were willing to treat with the thirteen fires they were not willing to treat with the State of New York.

In 1788, however, a treaty with the State was made at Fort Stanwix. The "land grabbers" of that day, known as "Lessees," were opposed to this lest they should lose the title to their lands obtained by contracts not authorized by the State, which in 1777 had enacted a statute forbidding the purchase of the fee in the lands of the Indians, reserving the right to the State alone. It was a formidable organization, embracing men of wealth and political importance. Governor Clinton met the whole matter with energy and promptness and urged upon the Legislature the adoption of decisive measures to counteract the plans of the "Lessees." In March, 1788, an act was passed authorizing the Governor to disregard all contracts made with the Indians not sanctioned by the State, and to cause all persons to be arrested who had entered upon the Indian lands under such contracts, and to be driven off by force and the buildings destroyed. A military force was called out and the orders were strictly obeyed. The time set for the treaty was September 1, 1788. The "Lessees" planned to meet the Indians at this time and dissuade them from making a treaty. The Governor took the field in person, backed by all the official influence at his command. A sloop came up from New York with Indian goods, stores for the expedition, marquees, tents and specie for the purchase money. Among those who came were Count Monsbiers, the then French Minister, and the Marchioness de Biron, his sister, out of curiosity. The commissioners and the retinue, goods and baggage, going up the Mohawk, started August 23, in batteaux built expressly for the occasion, and arrived August 28 at Fort Stanwix. A wild and romantic scene presented itself. The veteran soldier, Governor Clinton, pitched his marquee and was as much the general as if he had headed a military expedition. Among the commissioners were William Floyd, signer of the Declaration of Independence, and his relative, Ezra L'Hommedieu, late of "Upper Houses"; of the Indians, were Skenandoah, who spoke and signed the treaty, and was, at his death, 110 years of age; Peter Otsequet, whom Lafayette sent to France to be educated, and Paulus, an Oneida chief. "They were surrounded by the camp fires of the numerous representatives of the Six Nations, who had been attracted to the spot, some from interest, some from curiosity; but by far the larger propor-

tion of them had been attracted from their scattered wilderness homes by the hopes and promises of presents, feasts and carousals." The head men of several of the tribes were holding a counter meeting at Geneva with the "Lessees," where "firewater" was flowing freely. It was the 8th of September before the different nations got together, as the result of efforts by Governor Clinton, after having recovered from their "beastly state of intoxication." Under these circumstances it is not to be wondered at that Willett Ranney, Sr., was alarmed. The story was told by Mrs. Cushman of Theresa in a letter to Mr. Wager, in which she wrote:

"I have often heard my grandmother, Mrs. Samuel Jarvis, daughter of Willett Ranney, Sr., tell of her early life at Fort Stanwix. She was a little girl when her father moved there; she was born in Middletown, Conn., April 2, 1773. I have often heard her tell of assisting her mother baking bread at the time of the treaty with the Indians, at Fort Stanwix, in September, 1788; the bread was baked at her brother's, Seth Ranney's house, where many barrels of flour were stored to be baked into bread for the use of those expected to attend the treaty. The oven was on the outside of the house; it was a large one and was kept running night and day in baking bread some days before the treaty. There was also stored in the barn near by a quantity of liquor, and as it was feared the Indians might get it and thereby become furious and massacre the people, Willett Ranney, senior, with a few others went to the barn and poured the liquor on the ground."

Willett Ranney, Sr., with eleven children, several of whom were there with their own children, had a busy time of it, and "lost," what they must have brought with them, the liquor.

*Children:*

- Chloe, b. Mar. 2, 1753; m. Apr. 29, 1770, Nathaniel Gilbert, captain in Rev. Army. Rem. to Rome, N. Y.  
 Mary, b. Mar. 2, 1755; m. Bill Smith of Conn.  
 54 James, b. Feb. 27, 1757.  
 Lucretia, b. Jan. 20, 1759; m. Benj. Murray. *Children:*  
     Willett, John, Benjamin, Martha, Eunice, Lucretia.  
 55 Seth, b. Jan. 21, 1761.  
 56 Sarah, b. Jan. 2, 1763; m. David I. Andrus.  
 57 Sybil, b. Jan. 7, 1765; m. (1) Richard Willis, (2) Joseph White.  
     Lucy, bapt. Jan. 6, 1767; m. ——— Bradner.  
 58 Willett, }  
     Benjamin, } bapt. Aug. 6, 1769.

- 59 Persis, bapt. Apr. 4, 1773; m. Samuel Jarvis.  
 60 Butler, b. after Jan., 1776.

25 George<sup>4</sup> Ranney (George<sup>3</sup>, Thomas<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>), bapt. Apr. 14, 1723, East Middletown; m. Jan. 23, 1745-6, Hannah<sup>4</sup> Sage, b. Mar. 15, 1724-5, Upper Houses, dau. of John<sup>3</sup> Sage, Jr. (John<sup>2</sup>, David<sup>1</sup>) and Mary Hall. Both were adm. to full communion in East Middletown Ch. Dec. 7, 1746. Their tombstones are given herewith. He d. Feb. 25, 1804; she d. June 9, 1797. The three first born, sons, settled in Ashfield, Mass. Jonathan inherited the homestead.

*Children:*

- 61 George, b. June 9, 1746-7.  
 62 Thomas, b. July 6, 1749.  
 63 Francis, b. Apr. 19, 1753.  
 Hannah, b. May 9, 1755; m. Joel Hall. (See the Hall Family.)  
 64 Mary, b. June —, 1757; m. July 1, 1779, Nathaniel Bosworth.  
 Esther, b. Jan. 8, 1761; d. May 24, 1818, Camden, N. Y.; m. Apr. 13, 1779, Daniel<sup>6</sup> Parke, a Rev. soldier, b. Apr. 6, 1758, East Middletown, Ct.; d. Oct. 6, 1836, Camden, N. Y. (Joseph<sup>5</sup>, Joseph<sup>4</sup>, Nathaniel<sup>3</sup>, Thomas<sup>2</sup>, Robert<sup>1</sup>).  
*Children:* Molly, Clarissa, Sage, Sally, Johnson, Ranney, Elisha, Fanny, Hannah, Marshall, George, Esther, George Scribee. Mrs. W. J. Frisbie, Camden, N. Y., is of this line.  
 Lucy, b. Sept. 6, 1763; m. Jan. 22, 1784, Seth Knowles.  
 64a Jonathan, b. Sept. 3, 1765.  
 Abigail, bapt. Sept. 24, 1769; m. Dec. 5, 1790, Asahel<sup>5</sup> Pelton, b. June 17, 1768, d. July 26, 1843 (Joseph<sup>4</sup>, John<sup>3</sup>, Samuel<sup>2</sup>, John<sup>1</sup>), She d. Mar. 12, 1839, Chatham, Ct.  
*Children:*  
 Anne, b. Jan. 1, 1796; m. Robert Aiken, lived at Euclid, O.  
 Eliza, b. July 1, 1798; m. Wm. Turner.  
 Eliza Turner m. James Blair; Charles B. Blair, b. Jan. 3, 1858, m. Emma Covode. Lawyer. Res. Grand Rapids, Mich. *Children:*  
 Charles C., b. Apr. 12, 1890.  
 Margaret C., b. Mar. 3, 1892.  
 John C., b. Apr. 17, 1895.  
 James, b. Jan. 22, 1897.  
 Chester, b. July 3, 1802.  
 Francis, b. Nov. 5, 1804.  
 Abigail, b. Nov. 28, 1806; m. Augustus Brown.  
 Lucy Bosworth, b. Mar. 18, 1809; m. John Wilcox. (See Pelton Genealogy.)

26 Nathaniel<sup>4</sup> Ranney (Nathaniel<sup>3</sup>, Thomas<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>), b. July 16, 1735, Upper Houses; m. Mar. 10, 1757, Prudence Willard, b. ————, ————, dau. of Thomas Willard, who d. Sept. 24, 1803. He inherited his father's homestead. Served in the French-Indian War and in the Rev. War. In both wars he carried a "wooden bottle" as a canteen for water. It is seen in this volume and bears his initials and the years he carried it in the two wars. It was taken to Ohio by his grandson Comfort and is now owned by his descendant, Luther Kelsey Ranney of Peninsula, O. It was exhibited at the 1904 reunion of the Society of Middletown Upper Houses. Nathaniel Ranney d. May 13, 1800. No gravestones.

*Children:*

- Thomas Willard, b. Apr. 29, 1758; d. May 3, 1759.  
 65 Comfort, b. Dec. 19, 1759.  
 Nathaniel, b. Oct. 26, 1761; d. May 12, 1817.  
 Prudence, bapt. Aug. 18, 1763; m. ———— Bishop.  
 Rachel, b. Apr. 9, 1765.  
 Daniel, b. Sept. 14, 1769.  
 David, b. May 22, 1769; in 1812 was in Mifflinburg, Penn.  
 Alle, b. May 13, 1771.  
 Hannah, b. Mar. 17, 1773; d. Mar. 30, 1798.  
 Anne, b. Apr. 27, 1775.  
 Huldah, b. Aug. 6, 1777; d. Oct. 13, 1804.  
 Willard, b. July 3, 1779; alive in 1802.

27 Abraham<sup>4</sup> Ranney (Nathaniel<sup>3</sup>, Thomas<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>), bapt. June 7, 1746, Upper Houses; m. Oct. 16, 1769, Miriam Treat, dau. of Stephen. He built the house given herewith on the north part of his father's homestead, given him in the will. He d. Oct. 17, 1775. The widow m. (2) Mar. 20, 1776, Elijah Fellows of New York. She was descended from Governor Robert Treat. (See the Treat Genealogy).<sup>6</sup>

*Children:*

- Lydia, b. June 7, 1770; m. Medad Keeney of New Haven.  
 Huldah, b. Mar. 9, 1772; d. Aug. 6, 1775.  
 Luther, b. Mar. 27, 1774; d. ————, ————.

28 John<sup>4</sup> Ranney (John<sup>3</sup>, John<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>), b. Sept. 23, 1731, East Middletown; m. Nov. 7, 1754, North Killingly, Ct., Sybil Wilson. He served in 1755 with his father in 4th Co., 1st Regt., French-Indian War. A John served in 1757, 1758, 1759 and 1760. As his father died in the army in 1760, he must have been the one who died in the army in 1758, when his widow was appointed adm.

*Child:*

66 William, bapt. Sept. 14, 1756, East Middletown.

29 Amos<sup>4</sup> Ranney (John<sup>3</sup>, John<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>), bapt. Apr. 22, 1744, East Middletown; m. (1) Rachel Hill, m. (2) Lucy ———. He applied June 21, 1820, for a pension, stating that he was then 78 years of age.

“He the said Amos Ranney enlisted for the term of seven months in the latter part of April, 1775, in the State of Connecticut, in the company commanded by Captain E. Scott, in the regiment commanded by Col. Samuel Wyllys, in the line of the State of Connecticut, on the Continental establishment; that he continued to serve in the said Corps until the expiration of said seven months when he was discharged at West Point in the State of New York: that he enlisted for the term of eight months on the ——— day of January in the year 1776 in the State of Connecticut in the company commanded by Capt. Elijah Blackman in the Regiment commanded by Colonel ——— Mead in the line of the State of Connecticut on the Continental establishment: that he continued to serve in the said Corps until the ——— day of September, 1776, when he was discharged from the said service in Horse Neck in the State of Connecticut; that he enlisted for a cruise on the ——— day of January in the year 1778 in the State of Connecticut on board of the ship *Oliver Cromwell* commanded by Captain Timothy Parker: that he continued to serve in the said ship for the space of twelve months when he was discharged therefrom at Charleston in the State of South Carolina: that he enlisted for the term of nine months on the ——— day of March in the year 1779 in the State of Connecticut in the company commanded by Captain Edward Bulkeley in the Regiment commanded by Colonel Samuel Webb in the line of the State of Connecticut on the Continental establishment: that he continued to serve in the said Corps until the ——— day of December, 1779, when he was discharged from the said service in West Point in the State of New York: that he was in the battles of Bunker Hill, White Plains & Monmouth; and while on board the said ship *Oliver Cromwell* assisted at the capture of the ship *Cyrus* and the ship *Admiral Keppel* in one engagement; and that he has no other evidence now in his power of his said services, except the annexed affidavit of Major Robert Warner.”

He further testified that for more than eighteen years last past he had been a “wood cutter” and that by reason of age and in-

firmity he was unable to labor more than one-fourth of the year: that his family consisted of one person who steadily resided with him: who was his wife Lucy, aged 78, and that without a pension he cannot support himself except by the aid of public or private charity."

"Schedule of the real and personal estate of Amos Ranney above named, comprising every article of the same, his necessary clothing and bedding excepted: to wit:

	Value dols. cts
One ax.....	1.
Shovel and tongs.....	.25
Four chairs.....	.80
One old table.....	.25
One hammer.....	.06
One small looking glass.....	.50
Six pewter spoons.....	.06
Six knives and forks.....	.10
Four plates and two platters.....	.50
No provisions, except those which I obtain from day to day.	
One water pail.....	.25
	\$3.77

FROM OLIVER BOARDMAN'S DIARY ON SHIP "OLIVER CROMWELL"

On 2d cruise, Apr. 15th. "15th at Day Break we saw two sail bearing S. E. by S. distance 2 leagues. We gave chase under a moderate sail at 9 o'clock, P. M. Came up with them. They at first shew French colors to decoy us when we came in about half a mile of us she Ups with English colors. We had Continental colors flying—We engaged the ship *Admiral Keppel* as follows. When we came in about 20 rods of her we gave her a Bow gun. She soon returned us a stern chase and then a broad side of grape and round shot. Cap't orders not to fire till we can see the white of their eyes. We got close under their larboard quarter. They began another broad side & then we began and held tuff and tuff for about 2 glasses and then she struck to us. At the same time the *Defense* engaged the *Cyrus* who as the *Kepple* struck wore round under our stern. We wore ship and gave her a stern chase at which she immediately struck. The loss on our side was one killed and six wounded, one mortally who soon died.



Our ship was hulled 9 times with six pound shott three of which went through our Birth, one of which wounded the boatswain's yeoman. The loss on their side was 2 killed and 6 wounded. Their larboard quarter was well filled with shot. One nine pounder went through her main mast.

"May 21st. sent the prizes northward.

"May 30th Reached Charleston with the *Defense*, Capt. Smedley. Charleston May ye 30th 1778."

CAPTAIN'S CONVERSATION ON THIRD CRUISE WITH OLIVER  
BOARDMAN

"Charleston July 6, 1778. You have had a hard task of it and I will consider you. You shall have as much again as you expect. Ranney & those that leave me without a discharge will never get anything. You better go aboard, Boardman. I will consider you and you'll lose nothing by it. Answer, 'I am obliged to you, Sir,' and so went aboard."

"3d cruise. Lost masts in storm. reached New London Sept. 6, 1778."

There is no record of the death of himself or wife. And this patriot without a mark to tell where he is buried deserves the fullest record for the honor of his name and services. He may be buried in Hog Hill Cemetery, East Hampton, near his home.

*Children by 1st marriage:*

Esther, b. Apr. 21, 1770.

Martha, b. Sept. 25, 1772.

John, b. Mar. 23, 1775; m. Beulah Hubbard, b. Chatham.

He d. in Florida. She is buried in Hog Hill Cemetery, Middle Haddam. *Child:*

David Seth, b. Aug. 2, 1828; m. (1) June 2, 1850, Phebe

A. Arnold, who d. Oct. 23, 1888. He m. (2) Aug. 1, 1889, Hattie L. Rogers; is in bakery business, Moodus, Ct. *Child:*

Mary, b. Apr. 3, 1895.

Amos, b. Mar. 15, 1777.

Timothy, b. July 1, 1781; m. 1802, widow Damaris Gay and became guardian of her two children. Res. then, Haddam, Connecticut.

30 Jeremiah<sup>4</sup> Ranney (Richard<sup>3</sup>, John<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>), b. Dec. 17, 1730, East Middletown; m. Jan. 31, 1754, Chloe Leete, dau. of

John Leete. Both adm. to full com. Nov. 6, 1754. He served in Canadian campaign of 1762. Was taken prisoner. Died in service Nov. 3, 1762. Widow m. Thomas Lloyd.

*Children:*

- 67 David, b. Dec. 1, 1754.  
Rebecca, b. May 22, 1757.  
Rhoda, b. Aug. 28, 1758.

31 Elijah<sup>4</sup> Ranney (Richard<sup>3</sup>, John<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>), b. Oct. 6, 1735, East Middletown; m. Mar. 2, 1763, Granville, Mass., Mary Cook. In 1756 he had purchased land in Granville. In 1773 he rem. to Blandford, Mass. On Oct. 7, 1789, the estate was distributed by the probate court. In 1809 the widow had married Noah Warren. She resided with her son, Deacon Jeremiah, and her tombstone at Waterville, New York, says: "Mary, wife of Elijah Ranney died April 1, 1832, aged 88 years."

*Children:*

- Mary, b. Aug. 1, 1763; m. Jonathan Norton.  
Sybil, b. July 29, 1765; m. ———— Crane.
- 68 Jeremiah, b. May 5, 1769.  
Elijah, b. ————, ———; rem. to Watervliet, N. Y., where he was a merchant many years; described, 1794, in Blandford as a goldsmith.
- 68a Ebenezer, b. May 25, 1776.
- 69 Rufus, b. ————, 1780.  
Roxana, b. ————, ———; m. 1791, John Lloyd; d. at age of 99 years 9 mo. Children were Thomas, Leicester and Roxana.  
Eunice, b. ————, ———; m. Darius Stephens.

32 Stephen<sup>4</sup> Ranney (Richard<sup>3</sup>, John<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>), b. Jan. 15, 1737-8, East Middletown; m. Elizabeth Dixon, b. Feb. 25, 1741, dau. of Robert Dixon. He served in 1st Regt., Capt. Timothy Herlihy, 1758, 1759, 1761 and 1762, French-Indian War. Also in the Rev. War, 1777, 1780, 1781. He d. 1807. The widow d. Sept. 12, 1836, and the heirs applied June 29, 1837, for a pension, which was allowed.

*Children:*

- 70 Stephen, bapt. Dec. 4, 1763.  
Abigail, bapt. Aug. 18, 1765.  
Reuben, bapt. Oct. 18, 1767; in 1837 it was stated in the ap-

plication for a pension that he had gone to N. Y. State some years previously and had not been heard from for 12 or 15 years. (See Appendix.)

71 Joel, bapt. Oct. 29, 1775.

Elizabeth, b. ——— —, ———; m. Agift Pease and received from her mother by will the homestead. (See the Pease Genealogy.)

33 Abner<sup>4</sup> Ranney (Richard<sup>3</sup>, John<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>), b. Mar. 15, 1747-8, East Middletown; m. (1) Oct. 6, 1778, Blandford, Mass., Lovisa Shepard, b. Mar. 24, 1759, dau. of Jonathan Shepard and Rachel Lankton. He had rem. in 1773 to Blandford and received, 1773, 1776, 1783, deeds of land from Jonathan Shepard, who had gone from East Middletown. He enlisted Sept. 22, 1776, as 2d Corp., Capt. Wm. Cooley's Co., Col. John Moseley's Regt., and served to Nov. 16. He was also sergeant in Capt. Samuel Sloper's Co., Col. David Moseley's Regt., June, 1782. He rem. to Augusta, New York, where he died Sept. 1, 1847. "Patriot of a hundred years," says his tombstone. His portrait as given herewith was taken a few months previous to his decease. His wife d. Dec. 25, 1817. He m. (2) Oct. 21, 1818, Augusta, N. Y., Miriam (Shepard) Cook, b. July 4, 1755, d. June 6, 1834, sister to his first wife.

*Children by 1st marriage:*

72 Hannah, b. Apr. 9, 1779; m. (1) Henry Knox, (2) Joel Baker.

73 Lovisa, b. Nov. 18, 1870; m. Samuel Allen.

74 Abner, b. Jan. 14, 1782.

75 Joel, b. Oct. 28, 1783.

76 Oliver, b. Dec. 6, 1785.

Sally, b. Aug. 19, 1789; m. Samuel Newell.

Timothy, b. Feb. 22, 1790; Sunday, Apr. 15, 1810, was reading the Bible alternately with his cousin, Riley Shepard, when he was accidentally shot.

77 Wells, b. Sept. 17, 1791.

78 Lyman, b. Dec. 13, 1793.

79 Eli, b. June 27, 1796.

Harvey, b. ——— —, ———; killed by a fall from a tree.

Anson, b.

34 Fletcher<sup>4</sup> Ranney (Joseph<sup>3</sup>, Joseph<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>), b. Apr. 29, 1726, Upper Houses; m. ———, Elizabeth Powell of Hartford, through her mother a descendant of Thomas Welles, Governor, 1655-58. His father built for him the house known as the Fletcher

Ranney house, seen herewith, which stood till 1902. He was a carpenter. He d. Dec. 14, 1772. She d. Jan. 14, 1785. Both have gravestones.

*Children:*

- 80 Joseph, b. Aug. 6, 1751.  
 Caroline, b. May 27, 1753; m. Nov. 14, 1784, John Hamlin, son of Capt. Nathaniel Hamlin and Lucretia<sup>4</sup> Ranney. He was a Rev. soldier. Built the present Wm. F. Ewald house. He d. Nov. 29, 1834, she d. Aug. 10, 1839.  
 Rebecca, b. May 3, 1755; d. June 11, 1775.  
 Elizabeth Welles, b. Jan. 20, 1757; m. Sept. 30, 1779, Epa-  
 phras Sage, a Rev. soldier. She was pensioned. (See the Sage Family.)
- 81 Simeon, b. Nov. 25, 1759.  
 Lois, b. Nov. 16, 1761; m. Nov. 26, 1789, Daniel Arnold, lost at sea, 1819, aged 54. She was alive in 1839. *Children:*  
 Sarah, Daniel and George, bapt. Aug. 21, 1803.
- 82 William, b. Nov. 14, 1763.  
 Sarah, b. Jan. 15, 1766; d. May 13, 1786.

35 Stephen<sup>4</sup> Ranney (Joseph<sup>3</sup>, Joseph<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>), b. Sept. 18, 1730, Upper Houses; m. Nov. 27, 1752, Middletown or Guilford, Patience Ward, b. Mar. 25, 1733, Middletown, dau. of Samuel Ward, b. 1704, and Lucy Rogers, b. 1708. He was a shipbuilder and rem. to Middletown where he purchased a wharf of Col. Comfort Sage. His marriage is recorded in Guilford records. Andrew Ward, Jr., of Guilford, was Capt. and Lt. Col. of the 4th Reg. in 1755, French-Indian War, and Stephen Ranney was clerk, Sept. 4-Dec. 8. He built a house on the site of the Green St. school-house, Middletown. He furnished material for the brig, *Minerva*, built by the Colony of Connecticut for the defense of the cause in Rev. War. He was raised in St. Lodge No. 2, F. A. M., Middletown, May 4, 1768. In 1784 was warden of Christ Epis. Ch. On Sept. 17, 1786, he and his wife were confirmed by Bishop Seabury. Some of his children were baptized on the day of birth, some on the day after birth. The inventory included his Masonic leather apron and gloves, silver knee buckles, 11 silver buttons, gold sleeve-buttons, a sword, 2 canes, a whip, and a silver medal. At vendue seven "old tea spoons" were sold for \$2.25. The Masonic, 1782, cane is owned by T. W. Beaumont. He d. Dec. 12, 1803. His tombstone in Mortimer Cemetery bears the Masonic emblems. The widow d. Dec. 4, 1821. In signing the inventory the two sons differed. Stephen Rainey and Samuel Ward Ranney is the way they wrote their names.

*Children:*

- 83 Stephen, b. Oct. 14, 1753.  
 Samuel Ward, b. Oct. 23, 1755; d. Nov. 22, 1756.
- 83a Samuel Ward, b. May 13, 1758.  
 Lucy, b. Apr. 24, 1762; m. Richard Butler. (See the Butler Family.)  
 Daniel, b. Nov. 19, 1764; d. Jan. 13, 1792; m. Sept. 1791, Martha Southmayd. She m. (2), 1796, Benj. Conklin of Hartford.  
 Diana, b. Apr. 15, 1769; d. Sept. 20, 1770.  
 Patience, b. June 9, 1771; m. Jan. 8, 1791, William Russell, d. Sept. 22, 1796. He m. (2) July 19, 1798, Sarah Plumb, dau. of Reuben Plumb and Mary Shepard.
- Children:*  
 Harriet Wadsworth, b. Oct. 29, 1791; m. Geo. W. Bull.  
 Ruth Whitmore, b. Sept. 28, 1793; d. Oct. 19, 1817.  
 Patience Ward, b. Aug. 27, 1795; d. June 19, 1799.

[RUSSELL LINEAGE—William<sup>1</sup> Russell came to New Haven with the Whitfield company; m. 1644, Sarah Davis; d. Jan. 2, 1664-5, æ. fifty-two years and three months.

“Devotes his son Noadiah<sup>2</sup> to God in the way of learning,” b. July 22, 1659, grad. 1681, Harvard, tutor to 1683, kept daily diary. Supt. of Grammar School at Ipswich, Mass., compiled the “Cambridge Almanack,” 1684, first one printed in America. Settled at Middletown, Oct 24, 1688, one of the founders, 1700, of Yale; one of the framers of the Saybrook Platform; m. Feb. 20, 1690, Mary Hamlin, dau. of Capt. Giles. Died Dec. 3, 1713. Wid. d. at home of son Rev. Wm., Oct. 14, 1743, æ. eighty-one.

Rev. William<sup>3</sup>, b. 1690, grad. 1709, Yale, tutor at Yale two years, succeeded father as pastor, June 1, 1715, served forty-six years; d. June, 1761. Son Daniel<sup>4</sup> was pastor at Rocky Hill; son William<sup>4</sup> pastor at Windsor.

Capt. Samuel<sup>4</sup>, b. Middletown, 1730, held many local important offices; m. Ruth Wetmore. He d. Mar. 14, 1794; she d. 1773.

Capt. William<sup>5</sup>, b. Oct. 1, 1767, Middletown, cabinet maker (Russell & Barnes), then in carriage business with Nathan Wilcox, later with his son Jacob in mfr. of hardware. In 1803 rem. to Danville, Ill.]

36 Hezekiah<sup>4</sup> Ranney (Joseph<sup>3</sup>, Joseph<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>), b. Sept. 1, 1742, Upper Houses; m. (1) Feb. 28, 1765, Lucretia Hartshorn, b. Mar., 1746, Bristol, R. I.; d. Sept. 5, 1784, dau. of Jacob and Martha Hartshorn; m. (2) Martha (Edwards) Stocking, b. 1744;

d. Nov. 14, 1790; widow of Capt. Zebulon Stocking and dau. of David Edwards and Mary Churchill; m. (3) Mrs. Ann (Wright) Sage, widow of Giles Sage. His first wife's children were baptized in the Epis. ch. of lower Middletown, indicating that their mother belonged to an Episcopal family in R. I., at which time there were but four Epis. parishes in that State. He was noted as a schoolmaster. His school report for 1786 gave the name of each head of a family, the number of days each set of children attended, and how much wood each family contributed. His grandson, the Rev. Roderick H. Ranney, in 1873 wrote to the compiler the following:

"He sometimes taught school, as I chanced to learn by an incident he related to me of having flogged (for using disrespectful language to an old man as they were taking a sleigh ride past the house at night) six young men, his pupils, larger than himself; for in those days the teacher was held responsible for the pupils' conduct at all times and all places. The parents heard their sons were to be flogged the third day and came to see him, saying 'you are not able to do it and will get flogged yourself.' 'Well, I will try it.' 'No,' said they, 'we have contrived it for you. We will keep four of them home all day to-morrow and send two whom you can flog, and so also on the two succeeding days.' A few days after having been flogged, two by two, these same young men, feeling the necessity of progressing faster in their studies, came to him with the request that he would give them evening lessons 'for a consideration.'" His father had deeded him, who had remained at home to care for the old folks, the homestead. In 1795 he sold it and rem. to New Providence, Saratoga Co., N. Y. The grandson, above named, visited him in 1825 at his home, Edinburg, near Lansingburg, where he died in 1826. The widow went to live with her son, Orrin Sage, and is buried in Rochester, N. Y.

*Child by 2d marriage:*

- Joseph, b. Mar. 8, 1766, in Bristol, R. I.; captured by the British and d. in prison, 1782.  
 Lucretia, b. Jan. 11, 1769; m. ——— Johnson. *Child:*  
 Julia ———; m. ——— Leake.
- 84 Charles, b. Oct. 4, 1771.  
 85 Hezekiah, b. Jan. 17, 1774.  
 Charlotte, b. Feb. 22, 1776; m. Eli Judson. *Child:* David.  
 Abigail, b. Mar. 30, 1778; m. Leonard Baker, dau. Harriet, d. 1880; m. ——— Rogers.
- 86 Roderick, b. Mar. 24, 1780.

*Child by 2d marriage:*

87 David Stocking, b. Apr. 22, 1787.

*Children by 3d marriage:*

88 Horatio Gates, b. Dec. 25, 1799.

88a Sylvester, b. Aug. 2, 1802.

Martha, b. ———; m. ——— Bennett. *Children:* Solon S., Charles E.

Mary, b. ———; m. Orizam Corbin. He d. abt. 1835. She d. in Cleveland.

37 Lucretia<sup>4</sup> Ranney (Daniel<sup>3</sup>, Joseph<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>), b. Mar. 12, 1737-8, Upper Houses; m. May 16, 1753, Capt. Nathaniel<sup>4</sup> Hamlin, b. May 29, 1732, son of Capt. Richard Hamlin<sup>3</sup> and Martha Smith, dau. of the Rev. Joseph<sup>3</sup> Smith, first pastor at Upper Houses. Capt. Richard Hamlin<sup>3</sup>, b. May 17, 1693, was the son of William<sup>2</sup> Hamlin and Susannah Collins, b. Nov. 26, 1669, dau. of the Rev. Nathaniel Collins and Mary Whiting of Middletown. William<sup>2</sup> Hamlin was the son of Giles<sup>1</sup> Hamlin and Hester<sup>2</sup> Crow, dau. of John<sup>1</sup> Crow of Hartford. Giles Hamlin was a distinguished mariner. His epitaph says he was "near fifty years crossing the ocean wide."

Capt. Nathaniel Hamlin was app. Oct., 1770, Captain 10th Co., 6th Regt. Militia; resided in Newfield Street and d. 1778.

*Children:*

89 Daniel Ranney, b. July 23, 1755.

John, b. Jan. 7, 1757; m. Nov. 14, 1784, Caroline<sup>5</sup> Ranney (Fletcher<sup>4</sup>). A Rev. soldier, buried in Cromwell.

90 Esther, b. July 10, 1759; m. Abner Hubbard.

91 Mary, b. 1760; m. Benj. Gilbert.

Martha, b. Mar. 29, 1761; m. Oct. 3, 1782, Daniel Eells. (See The Eells Family.)

Lucretia, b. May 3, 1763; m. Samuel Cotton.

38 Jonathan<sup>4</sup> Ranney (Jonathan<sup>3</sup>, Joseph<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>), bapt. May 20, 1744, Upper Houses; m. Nov. 25, 1773, New Haven, Ct., Hannah Tiley or Tilley of Saybrook, Ct., b. 1753. He was a boy when his father rem. to Guilford; was a hatter, and had an establishment in New Haven and later in Middletown, Ct., where he d. July 16, 1828. She brought a letter, 1791, from the 2d Church of Saybrook, now Essex, to the 1st Church of Middletown, where she d. May 24, 1838. Her father after a few years owned the Rev. Joseph Smith house, sold it, 1746, and rem. to Saybrook, now Essex, Conn.

*Children:*

- Thomas Tiley, b. June 22, 1777, d. Jan. 15, 1796.  
 92 William, b. Nov. 30, 1783.  
 Sally, b. ; m. Jan. 10, 1802, Joshua Cone. *Child:*  
 Chloe, b. 1808, d. 1880, East Haddam.  
 Hannah, b. 1787; d. Jan. 9, 1844.  
 Phineas, b. ; d. unm. abt. 1860, Middletown.

- 39 Ebenezer<sup>4</sup> Ranney (Ebenezer<sup>3</sup>, Ebenezer<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>), bapt.  
 Apr. 24, 1748, Upper Houses;  
 m. Nov. 30, 1769, Newington  
 Church, Lois<sup>4</sup> Blinn, b. May  
 13, 1745, Newington Society  
 of Wethersfield, Conn. He in-  
 herited the original Ranney

homestead and built on the north part a house for his son James. He served in the Rev. War. A bronze marker of the S. A. R. is at his grave. He d. Oct. 7, 1822. She d. Oct. 24, 1831.

*Children:*

- Ruth, bapt. Mar. 3, 1771; m. Mar. 31, 1790, Capt. John White.  
 (See The White Family.)  
 Lois, bapt. Mar. 7, 1773; d. unm. Dec. 28, 1861, was the  
 tailoress of the village, cared for her mother and brother  
 Eben. After 1847 she resided with her nephew James Ran-  
 ney. Read always, but never used glasses.  
 93 Margaret, b. Dec. 23, 1775.  
 Elisha, bapt. Jan. 3, 1779; d. Oct. 23, 1780.  
 Ebenezer, bapt. Dec. 24, 1780; d. unm. Aug. 16, 1845.  
 94 James, bapt. Nov. 10, 1782.  
 Vester, bapt. Aug. 28, 1785.

[BLINN LINEAGE—Peter<sup>1</sup> Blinn of Wethersfield was a carpenter; m. Johanna ————. His will is dated Mar. 2, 1725, “age eighty-four years being in health of body.”

William<sup>2</sup> Blinn, b. 1675; m. Nov. 13, 1701, Anna<sup>2</sup> Coultman, b. Mar. 11, 1679; d. Oct. 17, 1724, dau. of John<sup>1</sup> Coultman, a settler of Wethersfield, who was the son of Thomas Coultman, of Newton, Harcoate, Weston, Leicestershire, England.

Peter<sup>3</sup> Blinn, b. Feb. 4, 1713; d. Mar. 7, 1793; m. Mar. 10, 1734, Martha Collins, b. July 9, 1709, dau. of Samuel and Martha Collins.

Lois<sup>4</sup> Blinn of Kensington Society, Wethersfield, was born May 13, 1745.]



## FIFTH GENERATION

40 Dr. Thomas Stow<sup>5</sup> Ranney (Jeremiah<sup>4</sup>, Thomas<sup>3</sup>, Thomas<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>), b. May 10, 1744, Upper Houses; m. (1) Feb. 23, 1780, Brentwood, N. H., Hannah Hook, b. 1757, d. July 9, 1796, Brentwood; m. (2)

*Thos. S. Ranney*

Jan. 3, 1798, Brentwood, Hannah Hook, probably of the same family as that of his first wife. He rem. with his parents to Bethlehem, Litchfield Co., Ct. A Thomas Ranney served from Litchfield Co., Mar. 23-Dec. 3, 1762, in the French-Indian War. He rem. to Brentwood, N. H., and about 1810 he rem. to Newport, Maine, where he died. He was a physician. Was town clerk many years in Brentwood.

### *Children:*

- 95 Moses, b. May 14, 1799.
- 96 Hannah, b. Sept. 4, 1801; m. Samuel Stetson.
- 97 Thomas Stow, b. Dec. 7, 1810.

41 Nathan<sup>5</sup> Ranney (Jeremiah<sup>4</sup>, Thomas<sup>3</sup>, Thomas<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>), b. June 20, 1751, Upper Houses; m. (1) Ruth Cole; b. —; d. —, 1816, Whitehall, N. Y.; m. (2) 1819, widow of Charles McArthur of Scotch Hill; d. 1819. He rem with his parents to Bethlehem, Conn.; in 1804 to Whitehall, N. Y.; in 1817 to Fair Haven, Vt., residing on Scotch Hill, where he d. Jan. 12, 1831.

### *Children:*

- Phebe, b. —; m. (1) Abel Foster; m. (2) Aaron Smith of Whitehall, N. Y.
- Thomas Stow, b. —; m. Mary Martin of Enosburg; kept tavern in Whitehall; rem. 1823 to Enosburg, where he died, 1834; widow m. Burleigh Davis; her family rem. to Fair Haven, Vt. *Children:* Mary, Oliver Perry, Helen, Edwin, Althea, Nathaniel, Betsey. (See Appendix.)
- Ruth, b. 1790; d. June, 1866, Whitehall, N. Y.
- Martha, b. Aug. 23, 1793; m. Jan. 16, 1818, Levi Reed, rem. to

- Fair Haven, Vt., where she d. Apr., 1869. *Children*: Fayette, Nathan Ranney, Helen, Edgar. (See Appendix.)  
 Elizabeth, b. \_\_\_\_\_; d. 1868, Whitehall, N. Y.
- 98 Nathan, b. Apr. 27, 1797.  
 Philena, b. \_\_\_\_\_; m. Salmon Norton, Jr., rem. to Marcellus, N. Y., where he d. She rem. to Angelica, N. Y., then to Morenci, Mich. *Children*: Mary and Ellen.
- 99 Nathaniel Cole, b. \_\_\_\_\_
- 100 Caleb Barnes, b. 1807.

42 Solomon<sup>5</sup> Ranney (Jeremiah<sup>4</sup>, Thomas<sup>3</sup>, Thomas<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>), b. 1756, Bethlehem, Ct., m. Rebecca Churchill, b. July 20, 1764, Bethlehem, Ct. (Jonathan<sup>3</sup>, Joseph<sup>2</sup>, Josiah<sup>1</sup>, of Wethersfield, Ct. See Churchill Genealogy.) Served in the Rev. War as per app. for pension dated May 4, 1818, from May 1, 1775, nine months; from Aug., 1776, three months; from May, 1778, nine months. He also served in 1782 as per Vol. 8, Conn. Hist. Soc. Rolls. He rem. before 1818 to Kortright, N. Y., where he died.

*Children*:

- 101 Martha Patty, b. Apr. 15, 1786.  
 A daughter, b. \_\_\_\_\_; m. Mark Morris, rem. to Nelson, O., where they died. Had one daughter.

43 Stephen<sup>5</sup> Ranney (Jeremiah<sup>4</sup>, Thomas<sup>3</sup>, Thomas<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>), b. May 24, 1761, Bethlehem, Conn.; m. (1) Apr. 15, 1785, Litchfield, Conn., Margery Camp, b. Aug. 17, 1763, Bethlehem, Conn.; d. May, 1792, Litchfield, Conn.; m. (2) May, 1795, Rhoda Langdon, b. \_\_\_\_\_; d. \_\_\_\_\_ 1802; m. (3) 1804, Hannah Cooper, b. \_\_\_\_\_; d. Jan. 11, 1811; m. (4) Oct. 11, 1812, Salem, Mass., Elizabeth Hathorne, b. \_\_\_\_\_; d. Aug. 11, 1822. He died 1827, Jackson, Mo.

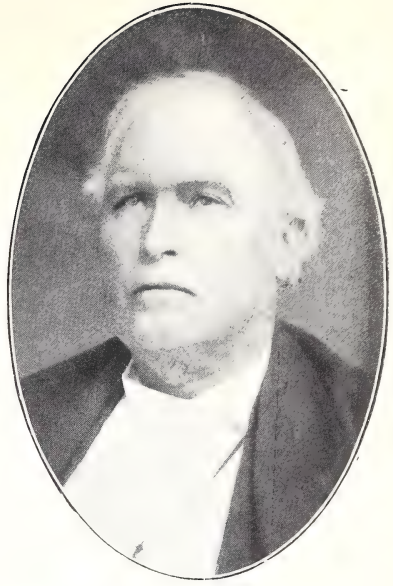
It is a family tradition that when a boy he was bound out to a deacon, and one of his duties was to feed the swine. The deacon threatened to thrash him, and the boy, preferring to avoid a contest, trudged a number of miles to where General Greene was recruiting, and enlisted. The official record of his service as given by the War Department follows:

"Enlisted June 12, 1776 and discharged Jan. 1, 1777, being a member of Capt. Jonathan Johnson's Company, Col. Phillip B. Bradley's Regiment, Connecticut Forces.

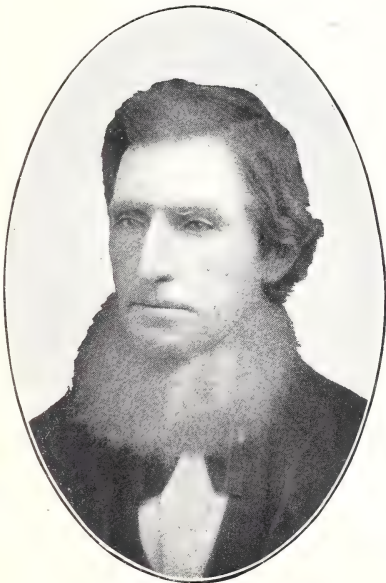
"He enlisted May 2, 1777, for the war, in Capt. Samuel Mattock's Company, 8th Connecticut Regiment, which had various commanders; transferred January, 1781, to Captain Benton's Com-



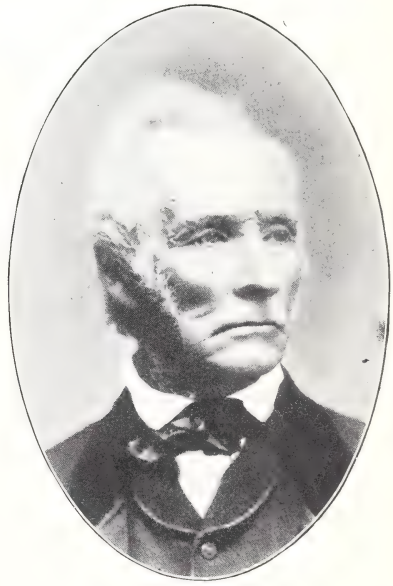
STEPHEN RANNEY  
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WILLIAM CATON RANNEY  
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JOHN HATHORNE RANNEY  
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OLIVER RANNEY  
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THOMAS STOW² RANNEY AT 82  
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pany, also designated the 7th Company, 5th Connecticut Regiment, commanded by Lieutenant Colonel Isaac Sherman; appointed corporal June 1, 1781, transferred August 1, 1782, to Light Infantry Company, same regiment, and transferred November 1, 1782, to the 5th Company, 1st Connecticut regiment, commanded by Colonel Zebulon Butler. His name is last found on the muster roll of the company for the month of April, 1783, dated May 27, 1783, which shows him on furlough."

He was in the battles of Brandywine, Germantown, Mud Island, Red Bank and others. At Monmouth he received wounds in the leg and hand during the conflict which took place between the British and that part of General Lee's corps which, in pursuance of their order, checked the enemy's advance, and gave time for the American reserve under General Washington to form. For his gallantry in that memorable affair he was presented with a sword by Lafayette.

When a war between France and the United States was expected he applied for a commission, reciting his services in the Revolutionary War, and stating that he had conducted a military school in Litchfield, Conn. He was appointed a captain of the 13th United States Infantry, February '13, 1799, and was honorably discharged June 15, 1800.

In the political excitement which soon occupied the public attention, Selleck Osborn, editor of *The Witness*, a Democratic organ, was thrown into prison for the offense of having unduly criticised his Federal opponents. This attack on the liberty of the press aroused the Democrats of Litchfield County. There was a monster meeting held on July 4, 1806, when it was decided to have a demonstration on Aug. 6. For this gathering Democrats came from all over the county. Cannon were fired at sunrise, and bands rendered martial music. Major Ranney was chief marshal of the parade. When they reached the jail, all bowed in saluting Mr. Osborn. A meeting was then held in the Congregational Church.

The following letter explains itself:

Litchfield May 23 - 1808

Sir

I have served in the Army through the Revolutionary War, two years of which time I did the duty of a drill-sergeant. After the war was concluded I commanded a company of militia in this town and was promoted to the rank of major in the militia, which office I resigned and accepted a captaincy in the late Army raised under President Adams' administration I have since

taught a military school in this town. I am now desirous of obtaining the appointment of major, in the Army to be raised, Should there be no field officer allotted to the State of Connecticut, I will accept that of a captain, on the presumption that my pretention to rank will give me the first captaincy.

I have the honnor to be, sir, with due submission,

Your humble servant

Stephen Ranney.

Hon<sup>a</sup> Henry Dearbon Esqr  
Secretary of War.

He was appointed a captain in the 4th United States Infantry, June 18, 1808; promoted major of the same regiment January 20, 1813; lieutenant colonel, same regiment, May 15, 1814; honorably discharged on the reduction of the Army, June 15, 1815.

It is a family tradition that when Hull surrendered Detroit Col. Ranney was away on a foraging expedition with orders to drive the Indians back. On his return, finding that Hull had surrendered, he and his command cut their way through and escaped to the east. He was a principal witness against Hull in his trial later.

George Ranney, a brother of Stephen, was killed at Stony Point. Another brother, Solomon, served through the war. A son, Johnson, probably named after Captain Johnson, under whom he first served, was commissioned Lieutenant in 1812 and continued in the 4th Reg. under his father till the army disbanded in 1815.

Colonel Ranney's son, William Caton, having been born at Whitehall, N. Y., it is probable that his family was domiciled there with his brother Nathan who had removed from Bethlehem. By 1818 he had become a resident of Indiana where his next son was born. He was appointed Adjutant General of Indiana by Governor Hendricks, and served from Dec. 5, 1822 to Sept. 3, 1823. He then removed to Jackson, Mo., where his son, Johnson, had been settled as a lawyer for some years. His death occurred in 1827 and he was buried with Masonic and military honors.

*Children by 1st marriage:*

- 102 Jeremiah, b. Jan. 20, 1786, Bethlehem, Conn.  
Mary, b. Dec. 21, 1787, Bethlehem, Conn.  
103 Johnson, b. Dec. 19, 1789, Litchfield, Conn.  
Stephen, b. Feb., 1792; d. 1794.

*Children by 2d marriage:*

- Margery, b. Apr., 1797.  
Reuel, b. Oct., 1798.

Norman, b.—

Stephen, Jr., b. June, 1805.

Rhoda, b. Sept. 25, 1807.

Eliza, b. Sept. 30, 1809.

104 Hannah Cooper, b. Jan. 11, 1811.

*Children by 3d marriage:*

Julius Augustus, b. Aug. 22, 1813; d. Nov. 16, 1813.

105 William Caton, b. Feb. 20, 1815, Whitehall, N. Y.

106 John Hathorne, b. Feb. 5, 1818, Charleston, Ind.

Benj. Herbert, b. Mar. 27, 1821; d. Nov. 19, 1821.

44 Julius<sup>5</sup> Ranney (Jeremiah<sup>4</sup>, Thomas<sup>3</sup>, Thomas<sup>2</sup> Thomas<sup>1</sup>), b. 1765, Bethlehem, Ct.; m. Jerusha Butler, b. 1768, dau. of Silas<sup>5</sup> Butler (Malachi<sup>4</sup>, John<sup>3</sup>, John<sup>2</sup>, Nicholas<sup>1</sup>) and Jerusha<sup>5</sup> Spencer, (Eldad<sup>4</sup>, Desbrough<sup>3</sup>, Obadiah<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup> of Hartford). She built a Cong. Ch. in Danby, N. Y., where she died Mar. 26, 1844. He was a blacksmith and d. July 12, 1802, Bethlehem, Ct.

*Children:*

Lucy, b. Sept. 15, 1788; d. May 18, 1794.

107 Polly, b. Sept. 14, 1790; m. Hiram Hawes.

Julius, b. Aug. 24, 1792; m. (1) Hannah Dakin, (2) Almira Potter. He was captured in War of 1812, and suffered much. Wanted to go to France and enlist under Napoleon to get even with England; d. Jan. 29, 1852, Dexter, Mich. No children.

108 Lucy, b. July 18, 1794; m. Rev. Urban Palmer.

109 Oliver, b. Sept. 19, 1796.

Susan, b. Feb. 28, 1799; m. James Sturges.

110 Thomas Stow, b. Aug. 22, 1802.

45 William<sup>5</sup> Ranney (Thomas<sup>4</sup>, Thomas<sup>3</sup>, Thomas<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>), b. Sept. 18, 1753, Upper Houses; m. May 13, 1779, Westminster, Vt., Lydia Ranney, his first cousin, b. Apr. 18, 1759, Haddam, Conn., d. June 11, 1825, Westminster West,

Vt., dau. of Ephraim Ranney and Silence Wilcox. He served in the Rev. War from Upper Houses, and went to Hartford, Vt., 1777, where he served for a few months. His pension for services from Connecticut was granted Mar. 4, 1731, when he was nearly 80 years of age. He was a deacon of the church in Westminster West, of which his cousin Elijah was the first deacon. He died Feb. 17, 1737. Stone in W. W. churchyard.

*Lydia Ranney*


*Children:*

- Thomas, b. Oct. 2, 1781; d. July 10, 1817; unm.  
 111 William, b. June 5, 1784.  
 Elizabeth Wilcox, b. June 19, 1788; d. Nov. 10, 1821; unm.  
 Silence Wilcox, b. Apr. 9, 1791; m. Nov. 15, 1815, John Norton.  
 112 Stephen, b. Apr. 28, 1793.  
 Achsah, b. Feb. 27, 1796; d. Jan. 21, 1816; unm.

46 Ephraim<sup>5</sup> Ranney (Ephraim<sup>4</sup>, Thomas<sup>3</sup>, Thomas<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>), b. Oct. 27, 1748, Upper Houses; m. (1) Dec., 1770, Westminster, Vt., Lydia Johnson, b. 1751, d. Feb. 13, 1787; m. (2) Oct. 10, 1790, Rhoda Harlow, b. 1770, d. Sept. 20, 1850, dau. of Eleazar Harlow. He d. May 30, 1835. Ephraim Ranney and other children in 1812 signed an agreement as to the distribution of property and their autographs are copied from that agreement.

He was a stalwart man and helped to clear up much land on the bank of the Conn. River, and then was one of the first to cross the ridge and make a settlement in Westminster West. Rev. A. Stevens in his history says:

“Ephraim Ranney, Jr., David Heaton and Jotham Holt, about the year 1768, made an opening in the forest on the farm near the present site of the church. They were

 young men, and for some time messed together in a log-house built by Ranney, a few feet south of the house now occupied by Hon. William B. Cutting (1885). They made their own porridge and ate out of a common dish. Mr. Heaton was a passionate man, and when insulted would leave the house. When the porridge was a little short of their wants Ranney and Holt had only to insult their messmate, and they had the dish all to themselves. This state of things did not long continue. Mr. Ranney brought to the log-house, in 1770, a wife, and never had any wish, afterwards, to be left alone at the table.” He served in the Revolutionary War. He was a captain of militia, a justice of the peace and an inn-keeper. In 1805 there was built an inn which is now occupied by Deacon Arthur Patterson Ranney, who is seen sitting on the veranda. About the year 1813 it became the property of Ephraim Ranney, Jr., who kept a store as well as an inn there.

“A remnant of his account book for 1815 shows that the good people of the parish were none too temperate. The following is a specimen account, ‘Dr. to 1 glass toddy, to 2 toddy, to 3 toddys.’



The debtor got drunk, and mistook his door, and fell down in the pantry, and pulled down after him two pans of milk, and a pan of lard yet warm from the kettle. He was now ready to make his mark in the world. It was training day and he was too noisy and a little too drunk to be respectable. The captain, Ephraim Ranney, Jr., his neighbor by the way, undertook to get him out of the way. Having exhausted his patience in flattery, and ignorant of the condition of affairs in his pantry, he came to a close hug with the tipsy man, and by a hard struggle shut him up in the barn, when, lo and behold, the captain found his buff pants and vest unfit for a captain to wear during the parade and drill of the day."

The original Ephraim Ranney farm is now the home of his descendant, Miss Mary Ranney Cutting, having descended by inheritance.

*Children by 1st marriage:*

- 113 Ephraim, b. June 25, 1771.  
 114 Lydia, b. Sept. 28, 1772, d. 1858; m. Dea. Ebenezer Goodhue.  
 115 Rebecca, b. Dec. 27, 1777, d. 1841; m. Gideon Warner.  
 116 Calvin, b. Nov. 5, 1784.

*Children by 2d marriage:*

- 117 Hiram, b. June 4, 1792.  
 Peyton, b. Dec. 1, 1799; d. May 28, 1813.  
 118 Grant Willis, b. Mar. 23, 1804.

47 Elijah<sup>5</sup> Ranney (Ephraim<sup>4</sup>, Thomas<sup>3</sup>, Thomas<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>),  
 b. Mar. 14, 1750-1; m. (1) Nov.

*Elijah Ranney*

10, 1771, Elizabeth Root, d. Apr. 12, 1822, aged 82; m. (2) July 2, 1822, Tryphena Hitchcock,

widow of Heli Hitchcock, d. Mar. 27, 1838. He rem. with his parents, 1761, to Westminster, Vt. In 1771 he made a settlement in the south part of Westminster West on the farm now owned and occupied by his grandson, Henry Porteus Ranney. Like his elder brother, he was tall and stalwart. He served in the Rev. War and in 1783 was a member of the Legislature. Prayer meetings were held and sermons read for years before a church was organized. The first meeting called to consult for the support of the Gospel among themselves was held Jan. 10, 1789, and was "called by Elijah Ranney on petition of the inhabitants of the parish." It was voted "that allowance be made to Ephraim

Wilcox for money he had paid to Mr. Bullen for preaching, to be credited to him on the collection bill, to the amount of \$11.00." Ephraim Wilcox, his mother's brother, had gone from East Middletown. Elijah Ranney was the first deacon in Westminister West, as his father had been first deacon in Westminister parish. The church was erected in 1792. "It was a high, two-story building fronting on the east; a front door, and one on each side. It was painted white; without a steeple or cupola even; square pews, with high backs; gallery on three sides, filled with young folks every Sabbath, closely watched by a man appointed for that purpose; a moderately high pulpit, a deacons' seat in front of it, occupied, rain or shine, every Sabbath, by the deacons." —(Stevens' History.)

The first saw-mill was built by Deacon Elijah. He d. Apr. 29, 1833, aged 83.

*Children:*

- 119 Elijah, b. Sept. 15, 1773.  
 120 Joseph, b. Dec. 25, 1779.  
 121 Elizabeth, b. \_\_\_\_\_, —; m. Levi Harlow.  
 Silence, b. \_\_\_\_\_, —; m. Wainwright Witt and rem.  
 to Elyria, O.

48 Daniel<sup>5</sup> Ranney (Ephraim<sup>4</sup>, Thomas<sup>3</sup>, Thomas<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>), b. Feb. 5, 1753, Upper Houses, removed 1761 with his father to Westminister, Vt.; m. Oct. 27, 1779, Chester, Vt., Eunice Gile, b. Oct. 27, 1762, Chester, Vt.; d. Mar. 21, 1852, Stockbridge, Vt. He d. Jan. 5, 1833, and is buried in "Ranney Cemetery," Stockbridge, Vt. Moses, the son of Daniel, wrote the following, in substance:

\* "Moses lived with his grandfather, Ephraim, till thirteen years of age and then returned to his father who had removed from Chester to Stockbridge, Vt. Daniel was a recruiting officer for eighteen months. He enlisted to go and defend Ticonderoga but this place was captured before his arrival. His superior officer was Capt. Whitney of the militia rangers, which company disbanded in about a year and a half after its organization. Daniel removed to Chester, where Daniel, Jr., and Esther were born, and then to South Hill, Stockbridge, Vt. Here were born Lucinda, Roswell and Joel. The chief officer of the regiment to which Daniel belonged was Col. Townsend

*Daniel Ranney*

—Capt. Whitney was from Westminster and drew a pension on the testimony of Daniel.

“Daniel was an orderly sergeant and spent three days in the week at Westminster drilling the soldiers. He was at the battle of Bennington and was saved from being taken prisoner by Col. Ben. Fellows. At Ticonderoga Capt. George Earl of Chester was his Captain. Daniel was afterwards a Lieut. in the militia when called out, but drew no pension because he had some property.”

Daniel died in Stockbridge, Vt.

*Children:*

- 122 Daniel, b. Apr. 14, 1781.  
 123 Moses, b. Mar. 28, 1783.  
     Eunice, b. Dec. 12, 1784.  
 124 Mary, b. July 26, 1791; m. Jonathan Holland.  
     Esther, b. Dec. 30, 1793; m. Jan. 24, 1816, Lester Lincoln.  
     Lucinda, b. May 8, 1799.  
     Roswell, b. June 10, 1801; d. Aug. 4, 1803.  
 125 Joel, b. June 9, 1805.

49 Waitstill<sup>5</sup> Ranney (Ephraim<sup>4</sup>, Thomas<sup>3</sup>, Thomas<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>), b. Jan. 3, 1762, Westminster, Vt.; m. 1785, Abigail Harlow, b. \_\_\_\_\_, d. \_\_\_\_\_

*Waitstill Ranney*  
 \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_, dau. of Eleazar Harlow of Taunton, Mass., and Rhoda Alexander of Northfield, Mass. He rem. to Chester, Vt., held many local offices, purchased a tract of 1,000 acres 3 miles from the center, mortgaged it and became embarrassed. When the elder son became of age he assumed the farm and the mortgage, agreeing to support through life his parents, and to pay his brother, Waitstill Randolph, then 16 years of age, one thousand dollars, as he might need, if he would seek a learned profession. The enterprise failing, the elder son removed with his parents to Westport, N. Y., where Waitstill died July 3, 1839. He served in the Rev. War.

In a letter written in 1879 by a grandson is this description of Waitstill Ranney: “I remember but little of him. I knew him when I was quite small and remember only one incident about him. That has been fixed in my mind. He visited my father in Townsend when it was customary at family worship to stand up behind the old kitchen chair and pray, and he, being addicted to tobacco chewing, never took out his cud. So during his long prayer he had to stop several times before he got to the “Jews” to step to the old fireplace and spit. His career in life was fraught with

hardship, with many ups and downs, and yet he finally died at a good old age. The features of his good wife I cannot recall. But I remember her as a very clever old lady that once amused us boys by saying once when she came to visit us that she 'came in the mail,' meaning stage."

*Children:*

- Eleazar Harlow, b. Apr. 27, 1786; d. Apr. 5, 1862, Westport.  
N. Y. *Children:* Sarah, Caroline, Esther.
- 126 Waitstill Randolph, b. May 23, 1791.  
Abigail, b. Aug. 21, 1796; d. May 26, 1873; m. ———  
Rogers.  
Amarylla, b. —————; d. Feb. 22, 1841; m. David  
Chandler.  
Sophia, b. Oct. 1, 1797; m. ——— Kellogg.

- 50 Esther<sup>5</sup> Ranney (Ephraim<sup>4</sup>, Thomas<sup>3</sup>, Thomas<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>),  
b. July 28, 1764, Westminster, Vt.;

*Esther Arnold*

m. Oct. 8, 1786, Westminster, Vt.,  
Seth Arnold, b. Sept. 3, 1747, Haddam, Ct. She d. July 11, 1841;  
he d. July 6, 1849. Seth Arnold was a descendant of Joseph Arnold, one of the Hartford men who in 1662 settled Haddam, Ct. His homestead in Haddam, Ct., was opposite the cemetery, and he owned the land between the cemetery and the Connecticut River, and it is now the property of Judge E. P. Arnold. Seth Arnold had a hard experience in the Revolutionary Army: served three years, was twice taken prisoner, on prison ship nine months. In 1780 he removed to Westminster. His pension was granted Mar. 4, 1831. It will be seen that he lived to be 102 years of age. He made a public profession of religion at 89, and dressed himself the day he died. Her autograph of 1812 is given herewith.

*Children:*


- 127 Seth Shailor, b. Feb. 22, 1788.  
128 Ambrose Tyler, b. Nov. 19, 1790.  
Esther, b. Sept. 3, 1792; m. (1) John F. Hills; m. (2)  
Benjamin Smith.  
129 Joel Ranney, b. Apr. 25, 1794.  
Phebe, b. Jan. 29, 1798; m. Isaac Holton.  
Olivia, b. Oct. 31, 1800; d. July 1, 1812.  
Abigail, b. Nov. 17, 1804; d. unm., 1869.

- 51 Janna<sup>5</sup> Ranney (Ephraim<sup>4</sup>, Thomas<sup>3</sup>, Thomas<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>),  
b. June 11, 1766, Westminster, Vt.; m. June, 1789, Westminster,

Vt., Phebe Phelps, b. July 25, 1768; d. Jan. 1, 1842. His whole life was passed on the homestead his father took up in 1761. As he d. Aug. 18, 1794, his son's signature is given to a deed of settlement of his father's estate in 1812, when all the children except two signed the paper from which the autographs are taken.


*Children:*

- 130 James, b. Apr. 20, 1790.  
 Orange, b. Feb. 4, 1793; d. Sept. 9, 1823, New Orleans; m. Elizabeth E. Jacobs.  
 Janna, b. Aug. 18, 1794; m. Hannah Latham. He left Dec., 1818, for New Orleans, where he died. *Child:*  
 John Latham, b. Aug. 5, 1817; m. 1840, Almeda Dyer Phelps in Canada.

52 Joel<sup>5</sup> Ranney (Ephraim<sup>4</sup>, Thomas<sup>3</sup>, Thomas<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>),  
 b. Mar. 2, 1768, Westminster, Vt.; m. Rebecca Arnold, b. 1771; d. Jan. 27, 1844. He d. Mar. 25, 1840, Westminster.

They adopted Priscilla Farnham, who m. Joseph<sup>6</sup> Ranney.

53 Benjamin<sup>5</sup> Ranney (Ephraim<sup>4</sup>, Thomas<sup>3</sup>, Thomas<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>), b. Sept. 18, 1770, Westminster, Vt.; m. June 26, 1796, Westminster, Martha Gill, b. Mar. 1, 1768; d. Aug. 15, 1844. He d. May 8, 1824.



*Children:*

- Silence, b. May 26, 1797; m. Allen Wells. This line has the family Bible of Ephraim<sup>4</sup>.  
 Ira Allen, b. Mar. 28, 1799; d. July 17, 1843, Plattsburg, N. Y.  
 Angeline, b. Feb. 13, 1801; m. Aaron R. Chase.  
 Elmerina, b. Apr. 3, 1802; d. Jan. 29, 1804.  
 Elmerina, b. Aug. 17, 1805; m. Nathaniel Nutting.  
 Agnes Stella, b. Apr. 26, 1808; d. Feb. 26, 1896.

54 James<sup>5</sup> Ranney (Willett<sup>4</sup>, Willett<sup>3</sup>, Thomas<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>), b. Feb. 27, 1757, Upper Houses, followed his father to Mass., Lebanon, N. Y., and to Fort Stanwix; m. ———; rem., 1806, to Adams, N. Y. He died about 1822, at the residence of his

brother Willett, leaving Benjamin, Marinus, Gibbs, Orrin, Mary and Martha, most of whom, it is said, rem. to Canada.

55 Seth<sup>5</sup> Ranney (Willett<sup>4</sup>, Willett<sup>3</sup>, Thomas<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>), b. Jan. 21, 1761, Upper Houses, rem. with his father, 1776, to Sandisfield, Mass., thence to New Lebanon, N. Y., and by 1786-7 was at Fort Stanwix, now Rome, N. Y. He must have married before then Eleanor Matthews who d. Mar. 12, 1813, aged 50 years. He erected the first two-story frame house in Rome, and in 1792 it was used as a tavern by John Barnard, and in 1793 the first store was opened in it. In this year he was one of the 15 charter members of a Masonic lodge organized and located in the township of Paris—the first lodge in central New York. He was known as “Capt.” Seth Ranney, having served in the War of 1812. He resided a few years in Canada, returned to Ogdensburg, and had a farm on the St. Lawrence and kept a hotel.

*Children:*

George, b. 1780; m. 3 times; no children; d. May 27, 1860.  
Lois, b. —; m. Sylvester Gilbert of Ogdensburg. *Child:*

Wm. W. Gilbert.

Betsy, b. —; m. James Chambers; rem. to North Carolina.

Belinda, b. Dec. 6, 1791; m. Henry Lum; 9 children.

Clarissa, b. —; m. (1) David Lum, (2) Josiah Perry.

56 Sarah<sup>5</sup> Ranney (Willett<sup>4</sup>, Willett<sup>3</sup>, Thomas<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>), b. Jan. 2, 1763, Upper Houses; m. David I. Andrus. The Rev. Samuel Eells, referred to in the appended sketch taken from the *Jefferson County Journal* of Sept. 6, 1898, was born in Upper Houses. (See the Eells family chapter.)

David Ira Andrus was born in 1766 in the state of Conn., the family of English descent. He enlisted as a soldier in the Revolutionary War, January 1, 1781, to serve as a fifer in the 6th Company, 4th Conn. Regiment, commanded by Col. Zebulon Butler; was transferred to Captain Robertson's company, 2d Conn. Regiment, commanded by Col. Heman Swift, November 1, 1782; served as private March 1, 1783, and his name appears on the rolls to May 26, 1783. Mr. Andrus about the year 1789 went to what now comprises Oneida county, N. Y., to make his home, his outfit for commencing life in the new country being an ax he carried with him. About this time he was married to Sally

Ranney, also of a Connecticut family. Eight children were born to them: George, Lydia, Fanny, Almira, Chauncey, Ira, Sally and Samuel. Samuel died at the age of 14 years. A baptismal certificate given by Rev. Samuel Eells, pastor of the Second Church of Christ in Branford, Conn., dated at Steuben, N. Y., Sept. 9th, 1793, reads: "These certify that David Andrews [Andrus] and Sally, his wife, entered into covenant with God and took their baptismal obligations upon themselves, and had their children baptized by the names of George, Lydia and Fanny." In 1790 Mr. Andrus leased and lived on a farm of 138 acres in Wright Settlement, near Rome, and in 1804 carried on a meat shop in what was then Rome village. He visited this section at an early day in company with Daniel Fox who settled in the town of Adams about 1800, and died in 1873 at the age of 102 years. Mr. Andrus in 1799 was a charter member of Roman Lodge, F. A. M., Rome, N. Y. He removed about 1805 to the town of Ellisburg and acted as agent for Col. Samuel Wardwell, of Rhode Island, who had a large landed estate here. He made improvements at Wardwell Settlement, where he settled, and soon after commenced improvements at Andrus Settlement; to which James Constable in his journal of August 8, 1806, refers. Improvements at Little Sandy (Mannsville) were commenced by him as early as 1811, the first saw mill and first dwelling having been built by him. His business interests at Andrus Settlement were extensive. He built the large Andrus hotel about 1812, a two and one-half story wood structure, which was destroyed by fire in 1890. Mr. Andrus was the proprietor many years and the hotel was a favorite stopping place with the public, the stage line making a change of horses there, and in the thriving hamlet the hotel was the center of much activity. He also built a saw mill and grist mill, distillery, ashery and blacksmith shop, carrying on the several branches of business and employing many men. His farm of 400 acres furnished clay of a superior quality for a brick yard which was in use before the hotel was finished. In company with his oldest son, George, he was in the mercantile business as early as 1810; built the brick store on corner in 1825, which was taken down about 1855. About the year 1812 he built the army barracks at Sackett's Harbor, and in 1817 the Jefferson County bank building at Adams, he being one of the directors of the bank. He was elected Member of Assembly in 1809 and 1812, and sheriff of the county in 1812-1813, and again 1815-1818. His first wife died July 22, 1818, at the age of 55 years. His youngest child, Mary Jane, was born after his marriage to Mrs. Esther Hinman. Mr. Andrus died August 21, 1831, after

a few days' illness, at the age of 65 years. She died July 22, 1818, Ellisburg, Jefferson County.

Had eight children.

*Children:*

130a George, the oldest, b. Oct. 11, 1789, N. Y.

57 Sybil<sup>5</sup> Ranney (Willett<sup>4</sup>, Willett<sup>3</sup>, Thomas<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>), b. Jan. 7, 1765, Upper Houses; m. (1) Richard Willis of Welsh descent, b. 1760, Pennsylvania, d. 1807, Rome, N. Y.; m. (2) Joseph White, b. Jan. 16, 1761, Upper Houses, who with his father, Capt. Hugh White, had settled Whitestown, N. Y. (See the White family chapter.) He d. June 17, 1827. She d. 1833, Adams, N. Y., at the home of her son Willett Ranney Willis.

*Children:*

Catherine, b. ———.

130b Delia Ann, b. 1793; m. Wm. Hart of Adams.

131 Willett Ranney, b. Feb. 22, 1799.

Sybil Jane, b. ———.

Henry, b. ———; m. ———. Daughter is Mrs. (Dr.)

Annie Watson, Lexington, Mississippi.

58 Willett<sup>5</sup> Ranney (Willett<sup>4</sup>, Willett<sup>3</sup>, Thomas<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>), bapt. Aug. 6, 1769, with Benjamin, a twin, Upper Houses, was 7 years of age when his father rem. to Sandisfield, Mass. He m. Oct., 1799, Rome, N. Y., Betsey Robbins, dau. of John Robbins, who came from Bennington, Vt., in 1790. In June, 1790, he leased of Gov. Clinton the 100 acres in "Wright's Settlement," adjoining the 100 acres his brother Seth had leased the previous year, and which was long known as the "Ranney Place." He was to pay one peppercorn each year, if lawfully demanded, for four years, and after that 18 bushels of good winter wheat, on May 1 of each year, in the city of Albany. This lease in 1878 was in the possession of his son Lester. He sublet the lease in 1795 to Cornelius Van Warner, and in 1796 leased a 50-acre tract of Moses Wright, while Butler Ranney leased the adjoining tract. In 1801 both Ranneys sold out. He then rem. to Saratoga County, as the Bible record is that Anson was born in the town of Milton in that county. About 1810 he went to Taberg, and after a year settled in Smithville, near Adams. His aged parents went with him.

When news came that the British had attacked Sackett's Harbor the militia were ordered out and Willett Ranney, Jr., mounted



a horse to go to the defense of his country. The old man, inspired by a love of country yet burning in his bosom, and recalling his own experience in the Revolutionary army, said to his son: "Get off that horse and let me go." The son obeyed and Willett Ranney, Sr., over 80 years of age, mounted the horse and went as a volunteer. In a few years, 1818, the patriot was laid in the grave and the widow about 1821 followed.

In 1826 Willett Ranney, no longer known as Jr., bought a farm in Redfield, and resided on it till 1831, when he went back to the homestead at Smithville, and on which he resided till his death in 1865 at the age of 96 years, at the home of his son Lester.

*Children:*

- 132 Anson b. Aug. 5, 1802.
- 133 John, b. Jan. 16, 1803.  
Lucy, b. 1804; d. young.
- 134 Sophronia, b. —, 1807; m. Reuben Drake.
- 135 Mary, b. —, 1809; m. Volney Chamberlain.
- 136 Jeanette, b. —, 1812; m. Dr. Sheldon Brooks.
- 137 Orville Willett, b. — 1814.
- 137a Lester, b. Sept. 29, 1815.

59 Persis<sup>5</sup> Ranney (Willett<sup>4</sup>, Willett<sup>3</sup>, Thomas<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>), bapt. April 2, 1773, Upper Houses; m. abt. 1800, Rome, N. Y., Samuel Jarvis, b. Sept. 16, 1768, Norwalk, Ct., son of Nathan Jarvis and Ann Kellogg. Nathan Jarvis, b. Feb. 2, 1737, d. Apr. 15, 1820, was the next older to Abraham Jarvis, b. May 3, 1739, d. May 13, 1813, Episcopal Bishop of Connecticut. Samuel Jarvis, member of Masonic lodge, resided in Camden, N. Y., until after the birth of Angeline, when he rem. to Norwalk, Ct. Later he ret. to N. Y. State and d. Jan. 10, 1853, Theresa, N. Y. The widow d. there Dec. 3, 1866.

*Children:*

- Julia Ann, b. —, 1800; d. young.
- Hannah, b. —, 1802; d. Mar. 27, 1855; m. Dr. Ira Wright.
- Willett Ranney, b. —, 1803; rem. to Pittsville, Wis.
- Ann Eliza, b. —, 1804; d. May 27, 1902; m. Dudley Chapman.
- Mary, b. Sept. 13, 1806; d. Sept. 17, 1841; m. Geo. M. Foster. *Child:* Sarah Conant, b. Dec. 14, 1832; m. 1871, Dr. L. Hannahs as his 2d wife. Widow res. Theresa, N. Y.

Angelina, b. —, —, 1808; d. Mar. 13, 1866; m. Reuben Knapp.

Augusta, b. —, —, 1811; d. Apr. —, 1887; m. Harrison Miller.

Harriet Amelia, b. —, —, 1818; d. Aug. 27, 1870; m. 1843, Dr. L. Hannahs. He m. (2) Oct. 4, 1871, Sarah Conant Foster. *Supra*.

60 Butler<sup>5</sup> Ranney (Willett<sup>4</sup>, Willett<sup>3</sup>, Thomas<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>), b. —, —, 1780, probably New Lebanon, N. Y., rem. as a child with his father to Fort Stanwix, now Rome. In 1802 he m. Orva Heth or Heath, and moved, 1808, to Redfield, Oswego County. Later he moved into Jefferson County, where other brothers resided. In the war of 1812 he kept a public house in Adams and later moved to Watertown, where he resided in 1818, in Sept. of which year the first Jefferson County Fair and Cattle Show was held in Watertown. The officers and guests of the Society took dinner at his house, where extensive preparations had been made for their entertainment. Among the distinguished guests present were Gov. DeWitt Clinton, Gen. Stephen Van Rensselaer, and James LeRoy Di Chaumont, president of the Society. Among the features of this fair Noadiah Hubbard, a native of Middletown, Ct., with Col. Harris, exhibited a cart drawn by 15 yoke of very fine fat cattle, the product of their farms. Butler Ranney was a universal favorite. He d. Feb. —, 1854, Watertown.

*Children:*

Zanana, b. — —, —; m. David L. Seymour.

Minerva, b. — —, —; m. James V. Hickey.

138 Norman, b. — —, —.

Cornelia C., b. — —, 1812; d. Oct. 14, 1892; m. Sept. 1841, John Clarke, an eminent lawyer of Watertown.

*Children:*

Cornelia S., b. —————; m. 1871, Fred<sup>k</sup> Seymour; Helen Minerva; d. infant.

Delia Ann, b. ———; m. David L. Seymour *supra*. *Children:* Allan McCutcheon, Frederick, Thomas N., John C., Harriet Allan, b. — —, —; m. Eugene Robinson.

61 George<sup>5</sup> Ranney (George<sup>4</sup>, George<sup>3</sup>, Thomas<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>), b. June 9, 1746-7, East Middletown, Conn.; m. (1) Jan. 21, 1771, East Middletown, Conn., Esther Hall, bapt. Jan. 9, 1751; d. Mar. 3, 1807, dau. of Capt. Samuel Hall; (2) Aug. 8, 1809, Ashfield,

Mass., Alithea, widow of Oliver Patch. She died Aug. 6, 1827, aged 76. He died Jan. 14, 1822, Ashfield, Mass. (See the Hall Family.)

In early life he was in the West India trade. Rem., 1780, to Ashfield, Mass., and purchased from Lamberton Allen a 100-acre farm, most of which was a forest, and built a log house. He was a man of industry and perseverance. With the help of his strong boys he accomplished the task and brought up a large family. In 1798 he erected a two-story house on the new road to the Plain village, seen herein. For 40 years he was identified with the growth and prosperity of the town. He was a member of the Cong. ch.

*Children:*

- 139 Samuel Hall, b. Mar. 6, 1772.  
Sarah, b. Dec. 20, 1773; d. Feb. 11, 1774.
- 140 Jesse, b. Oct. 13, 1775.
- 141 Joseph, b. July, 1777.  
Hannah, b. Oct. 3, 1781; m. Dec. 4, 1800, Abiathar Philips; 12 children; d. July 28, 1857.
- 142 Esther, b. Mar. 5, 1784; m. (1) May 3, 1804, Benj. Jones, who d. Sept. 20, 1804; m. (2) Forest Jepson. He d. Sept. 20, 1844. She d. Aug. 23, 1862.  
Anna, b. June 20, 1786; m. Nov. 27, 1806, James McFarland; 4 children.
- 143 George, b. May 12, 1780.

62 Thomas<sup>5</sup> Ranney (George<sup>4</sup>, George<sup>3</sup>, Thomas<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>), b. July 6, 1749, East Middletown; m. May 28, 1778, Chatham, Conn., Mary (Johnson) Mighelles, widow of John Mighelles, who died of smallpox, Feb. 7, 1776. Rem. abt. 1792 to Ashfield, Mass., where he died Apr. 20, 1823. She died Oct. 5, 1819, 72 years old. She was the daughter of Thomas Johnson of Upper Houses. (See Johnson Lineage.)

*Children:*

- Persis, b. — —, — —; m. Feb. 1, 1801, Moses Bartlett.
- Catherine, b. — —, — —; m. Jan. 1, 1799, Wm. Belding.
- 144 Roswell, b. Nov. 22, 1782.
- 145 William, b. June 30, 1785.

63 Francis<sup>5</sup> Ranney (George<sup>4</sup>, George<sup>3</sup>, Thomas<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>), b. Apr. 19, 1753, East Middletown, Conn.; m. Feb. 16, 1773, Rachel Hall, b. July 29, 1753, Chatham, Ct., dau. of Capt. Samuel Hall. Rem. 1786, to Ashfield, Mass., where he died Apr. 7,

1804. It is tradition that he was a Rev. soldier. (See the Hall Family.) She d. ———, 1827.

*Children:*

- Sally, b. ———, ———; m. Samuel Phillips, Esq.  
 146 Giles, b. Aug. 17, 1773.  
 147 Daniel, b. ———, 1776.  
     Betsey, b. ———, ———; m. Feb. 17, 1802.  
     Ruth, b. ———, ———; m. Josiah Wells.  
 147a Luther, b. Sept. 6, 1785.  
     Rachel, b. ———, ———; m. ——— Eastman.  
     Lucy, b. ———, ———; m. Enos Bush.

64 Mary<sup>5</sup> Ranney (George<sup>4</sup>, George<sup>3</sup>, Thomas<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>), b. June 22, 1757; d. Aug. 17, 1841; m. July 1, 1779, E. Middletown, Nathaniel<sup>6</sup> Bosworth, b. Apr. 12, 1753, Warren, R. I.; d. Mar. 12, 1844, Berlin, Vt., son of Jonathan<sup>5</sup> Bosworth and Mary Humphrey, who were m. Mar. 19, 1748. Nathaniel was the second of nine children.

*Child:*

- 148 Jonathan, b. Jan. 21, 1787.

[BOSWORTH LINEAGE—Edward<sup>1</sup> and Mary Bosworth came in the ship *Elizabeth* in 1634. Five children.

Nathaniel<sup>2</sup> Bosworth, b. 1617, England; m. Bridget Lobdell, widow of Nicholas. Had nine children.

John<sup>3</sup> Bosworth, b. 1656; m. ———, Sarah ———. Had eight children.

Edward<sup>4</sup> Bosworth, b. 1689; m. ———, Mehitable ———. Had ten children.

Jonathan<sup>5</sup> Bosworth, b. Sept. 1, 1727.

Nathaniel<sup>6</sup> Bosworth served in the Revolutionary army. Was taken prisoner on Delaware River. Believing they were being poisoned several slipped down the cables and swam three miles before landing. They were given a breakfast by the widow of a soldier who had been killed in battle. After some days they reached camp. After his marriage he rem. to Lebanon, N. H., and again enlisted and experienced the smallpox. In 1795 he settled in Berlin, Vt., as a blacksmith.]

64a Jonathan<sup>5</sup> Ranney (George<sup>4</sup>, George<sup>3</sup>, Thomas<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>), b. Sept. 3, 1765, East Middletown; m. Feb. 26, 1786, Sarah Parsons, b. ———, ———; d. Feb. 3, 1853, aged 87 years. He was one of the original members of the Episco-

pal Parish organized Sept. 24, 1788, in what was then Chatham, now Portland, Ct. He inherited the (Hale) homestead, the other brothers having gone to Ashfield, Mass. He d. of consumption, Dec. 27, 1832.

*Children:*

- 149 Orrin, bapt. June 24, 1789.  
Nancy, bapt. June 24, 1789; d. Nov. 29, 1814.
- 150 Reuben, b. Feb. 19, 1789.  
Lucretia, bapt. Sept. 8, 1793; m. Mar. 24, 1825, Lyman Rose of Granville, Mass.  
George, bapt. July 15, 1798.  
Hannah, bapt. Oct. 6, 1801.  
Harriet, bapt. Oct. 6, 1801; d. June 9, 1870; m. Russell Bell; 3 daus., 2 sons.  
Jonathan, b. — —, — —.

- 65 Comfort<sup>5</sup> Ranney (Nathaniel<sup>4</sup>, Nathaniel<sup>3</sup>, Thomas<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>), b. Dec. 19, 1759, Upper Houses; m.

*Comfort Ranney* — —, — —, Ruth Treat. (See Treat family chapter.)

There is no record of his marriage, nor of the birth of his two sons. He served in the Rev. army. His home was beyond that of his father's, and he built a house on his father's land. A plot of this property made at the time of his father's death shows the location of the house. The Baptist church was organized in his house, Feb. 6, 1802, and he was an original member. He purchased of the other heirs their shares in their father's homestead, then sold out and in 1808 or 1809 started for the Western Reserve of Ohio, where he had made purchase of a homestead. He d. in Buffalo, enroute for Ohio. The widow m. (?) in Stow, O., Feb. 22, 1810, Phineas Perkins and d. before 1812.

*Children:*

- 151 Comfort, b. Mar. 20, 1788.  
Jacob, b. — —, — —; d. — —, 1810, Cleveland, O., of consumption, and was buried in Erie Street Cemetery.

66 William<sup>5</sup> Ranney (John<sup>4</sup>, John<sup>3</sup>, John<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>), bapt. Sept. 14, 1756, East Middletown; m. Sept. 26, 1779, Woodstock, Ct., Abigail Bacon. He served in 1775 from Woodstock in the "Lexington Alarm," and later from Chatham, his home. There is no further record of him.

*Child:*

152 George, b. Aug. 5, 1784.

67 David<sup>5</sup> Ranney (Jeremiah<sup>4</sup>, Richard<sup>3</sup>, John<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>), b. Dec. 1, 1754, East Middletown; m. — —, 1783, Priscilla Rathbun, who d. Nov. 27, 1829, aged 73.

From Chatham Land Records, Vol. 2, page 252, recorded June 4, 1782:

“The Bearer, David Ranney, soldier of the 1st Connecticut Regt., having faithfully and honorably served in the Regt. three years the Term of his inlistment & for the last year has been in Virginia with the Marquis de la Fayette & at the Taking of Lord Cornwallis & his time having expired two weeks before his return is hearby Honorably discharged.

“Given under my Hand this 4th day of December, 1781.

THOS. GROSVENOR, Lieut. Coll.

of the 1st Regt.

In 1801 he was pensioned at \$60 a year. Died Apr. 1, 1813. Inventory included:

One Bible.....	.60
Shoemaker's tools.....	5.00
Pewter cups & plates.....	1.76
1-4 of 7 A of land.....	18.00
1-2 of D. H.....	75.00

*Children:*

Huldah, d. infant.

David, bapt. July 1, 1798; m. Oct. 28, 1819, Susan Handy.

*Children:* David Handy, Daniel, Huldah, Susan. Supposed to have rem. to Ohio.

68 Jeremiah<sup>5</sup> Ranney (Elijah<sup>4</sup>, Richard<sup>3</sup>, John<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>), b. May 5, 1769, Granville, Mass.; m. Alice ———. Rem. to Waterville, N. Y. First to sign covenant at organization of Baptist ch. Apr. 14, 1798, and the first deacon. He d. Sept. 23, 1835; she d. Nov. 18, 1833. His mother resided with him and died there. She has tombstone there.

*Children:*

Jeremiah, b. — —, 1802; d. Mar. 22, 1818.

Asenath, b. — —, 1807; d. Sept. 4, 1825.

Nancy, b. — —, 1809; d. — —, 1811.  
 Silas, b. — —, ——. Rem. to California.

68a Ebenezer<sup>5</sup> Ranney (Elijah<sup>4</sup>, Richard<sup>3</sup>, John<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>), b. May 25, 1776, Blandford, Mass.; m. Feb. 23, 1800, Almeda Bartholomew, b. July 26, 1781, Goshen, Conn., dau. of Oliver Bartholomew and Anna Lacy. At age of 21 he rem. to Water-ville, N. Y., the home of his brother Jeremiah, thence to Augusta, N. Y., where he cleared an extensive tract of land, making potash of the ashes. In 1832 rem. to Valley Mills where he purchased a saw mill and erected a woolen mill, and d. there Apr. 12, 1860. In early life he became a Baptist and organized a society in Augusta; at his own expense rebuilt the mission church at Valley Mills and preached in it many years. Said to have served at Sackett's Harbor in war of 1812; wife resided at Watertown, N. Y., at time of marriage, and d. June 19, 1868.

*Children:*

- 153 Ores, b. May 26, 1801.  
 Dorcas, b. Nov. 28, 1803; m. Zacharias Lewis. *Children:*  
 John, Franklin, Eugene, d. Feb. 20, 1875.
- 154 Hiram, b. Nov. 23, 1805.  
 Ebenezer, b. Apr. 3, 1809; m. Betsy Calkins and died July 5, 1868.
- 155 Anson L., b. June 21, 1811.
- 156 Oliver Russell, b. Jan. 6, 1816.
- 157 Almeda Pamela, b. Mar. 27, 1820; m. Wm. W. Bingham.

69 Rufus<sup>5</sup> Ranney (Elijah<sup>4</sup>, Richard<sup>3</sup>, John<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>), b. 1779, Blandford, Mass.; m. Dolly D. Blair, b. 1780, Blandford, Mass. Res. on old farm till 1824, when he rem. to Freedom, Ohio., where he cleared four acres, built a cabin, and for a year they lived on the game killed. He d. Oct. 29, 1849, at Freedom, Portage Co., O. She d. Dec. 7, 1848.

*Children:*

- 158 Elijah Warren, b. 1802.  
 William Milton, b. Sept. 16, 1807; d. May 16, 1828, unm.
- 159 Rufus Percival, b. Oct. 30, 1813.
- 160 John Lewis, b. Nov. 14, 1815.  
 Harriet E., b. — —, ——; m. Wm. R. Sherwood.  
 Nancy C., b. June 20, 1820; m. Marshall Mills; d. July 31, 1849. Four children.

Mary L., b. May 24, 1825; d. July 17, 1900; m. Milton Marcy.  
Dolly S., b. 1827; d. Sept. 8, 1857; m. ——— Scott.

70 Stephen<sup>5</sup> Ranney (Stephen<sup>4</sup>. Richard<sup>3</sup>, John<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>), bapt. Dec. 4, 1763, East Middletown; m. Jan. 15, 1789, Persis Crossley who d. Jan. 25, 1854, aged 85. He was a blacksmith. House in Portland is in good condition. Died June 7, 1840.

*Children:*

Julia, b. Apr. 11, 1790; d. Jan. 20, 1828.  
John, b. Apr. 13, 1792; d. Feb. 23, 1814.  
Persis, b. June 4, 1795; m. Mar. 21, 1813, Joseph Cole. She d. Nov. 23, 1862. He d. Dec. 18, 1867.  
Prudence, b. Nov. 27, 1797; m. Jan. 23, 1821, Gustave Field of Southold N. J. She d. Mar. 27, 1877, in Portland, Conn.  
Stephen, b. Sept. 2, 1800; d. Sept. 5, 1814.  
William Crossley, b. June 27, 1803; m. Vienna Ames. He d. Apr. 14, 1879. She d. Apr. 27, 1891. Son William b. 1846; d. Dec. 2, 1871, unm.  
Mary, b. Jan. 19, 1806; m. Mar. 3, 1828, Wm. C. Lewis. She d. Jan. 23, 1876. He d. Sept. 25, 1875.  
Emily Stocking, b. Feb. 14, 1809; m. Nov. 26, 1830, Alan-son Strickland. She d. Feb. 10, 1894. He d. July 31, 1888.  
Elizabeth Ann, b. Jan. 15, 1812; m. Oct. 23, 1832, Geo. Strickland. She d. Jan. 24, 1871. He d. Aug. 11, 1878.

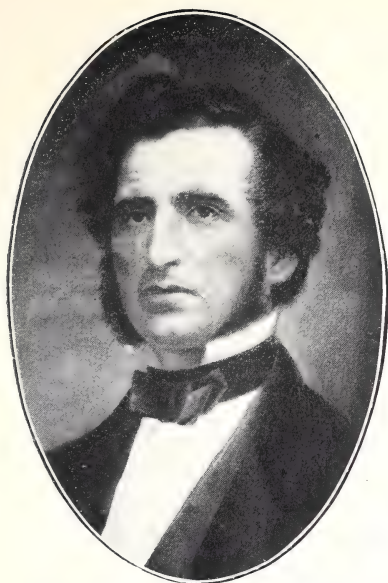
71 Joel<sup>5</sup> Ranney (Stephen<sup>4</sup>, Richard<sup>3</sup>, John<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>), bapt. Oct. 29, 1775, Chatham, Ct.; m. Polly Buck, bapt. Mar. 17, 1778, Glastonbury, Ct., dau. of Samuel Buck and Hannah Wright. The land records name his purchases and sales of real estate. In 1818 he and his son Joel were recorded as members of the Episcopal Society of Chatham, now Portland, Ct. In 1817 he went to Plain Township, Franklin Co., O. (See Appendix.)

*Child:*

161 Joel, b. Sept. 10, 1802.

72 Hannah<sup>5</sup> Ranney (Abner<sup>4</sup>, Richard<sup>3</sup>, John<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>), b. Apr. 9, 1779, Blandford, Mass.; d. Oct. 11, 1860, Vernon, N. Y.; m. (1) July 1, 1800, Henry Knox, b. Feb. 19, 1775; d. July 4, 1820, Augusta, N. Y.; m. (2) Joel Baker.





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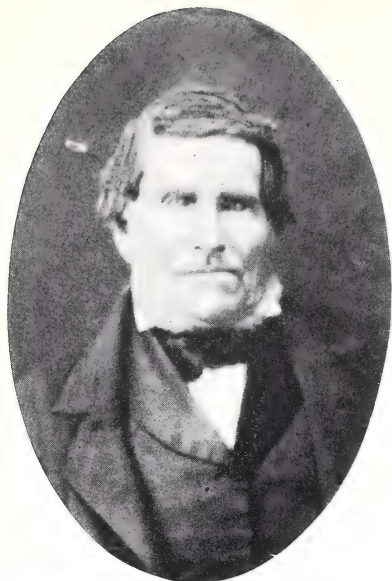


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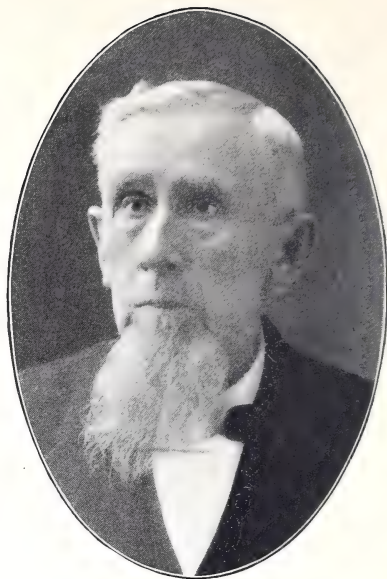


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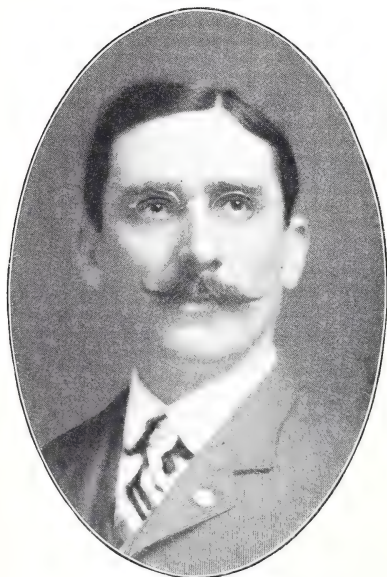




ABNER RANNEY  
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LYMAN WELLS RANNEY  
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CASSIUS WELLS RANNEY  
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ROBERT BENTON RANNEY  
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*Children:*

- Betsey, b. Mar. 18, 1801; d. 1891; m. E. B. Carrington.  
 Henry, b. June 21, 1802; d. Oct. 22, 1883; m. Jane Davis.  
 162 Alanson Ranney, b. Aug. 7, 1804.  
 Marshall, b. Apr. 9, 1806; d. June 9, 1888; m. Eliza Percival.  
 Lovisa, b. Oct. 27, 1808.  
 Rachel Melissa, b. June 21, 1811; d. Apr. 3, 1872; m. (1) Jacob Becker; (2) John Lyman Jacobs.  
 Sarah A., b. May 14, 1816.  
 Nancy Emeline, b. Apr. 10, 1819; d. Mar. 8, 1849; m. Dec., 1838, Samuel Coe Ellingwood.

73 Lovisa<sup>5</sup> Ranney (Abner<sup>4</sup>, Richard<sup>3</sup>, John<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>), b. Nov. 18, 1780, Blandford, Mass.; m. abt. 1802, Samuel Allen, b. May 20, 1776; d. Aug. 2, 1847, Augusta, N. Y. She d. June 7, 1870, Augusta, N. Y.

*Child:*

- 162a Samuel, b. Aug. 3, 1807; m. Almira Hurd. *Children:*  
 Curtis T.  
 Ira L.  
 Lorenzo H.  
 Emeline A.  
 Mary Eliza.  
 371a Fayette Almeron.  
 Samuel R.  
 Alida F.  
 Cordelia A.

74 Abner<sup>5</sup> Ranney (Abner<sup>4</sup>, Richard<sup>3</sup>, John<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>), b. Jan. 14, 1782, Blandford, Mass.; m. Armyra Powell, b. Aug. 27, 1792, who d. Jan. 5, 1860, Forestville, N. Y. Bapt.; Rep. He d. June 1, 1863, Sheridan, N. Y.

*Children:*

- Julia, b. — —, — —; m. Salmon Treat. (See the Treat family chapter.)  
 Ephraim, b. — —, — —; d. Feb. 20, 1868, unm.  
 Loran, b. — —, — —; d. — —, — —, unm.  
 Harriet, b. — —, — —; m. Orrin Moore.  
 163 Mary Ann, b. Aug. 10, 1815; m. James Sheldon Cook.  
 Hiram, b. — —, — —.  
 Clark, b. — —, — —.  
 164 Lyman Wells, b. Oct. 30, 1820.

- Jane, b. — — —; m. John Pratt.  
 165 Harmon, b. Oct. 12, 1823.  
 Abner, b. — — —; d. 1878, unm.
- 75 Joel<sup>5</sup> Ranney (Abner<sup>4</sup>, Richard<sup>3</sup>, John<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>), b. Oct. 28, 1783, Blandford, Mass.; d. 1870, Griffin's Mills, N. Y.; m. Julia Letson.

*Children:*

- 166 Timothy Alonzo, b. June 1, 1811.  
 Leonard, b. — — —; d. young.  
 167 Caroline Amelia, b. Feb. 16, 1824; m. C. M. Whitney.  
 Adaline, b. — — —; m. Gray.  
 Mary, b. — — —; m. Starring.  
 William, b. — — —; m. —————. No children.  
 168 Lydia Jane, b. Apr. 17, 1835; m. T. W. Parker.  
 Charlotte A., b. — — —; m. Jas. W. Crabbe.  
 169 John Sheldon, b. Oct. 22, 1838.  
 170 Rowland Robinson, b. May —, 1840.  
 171 Lafayette, b. — — —, —.

76 Oliver<sup>5</sup> Ranney (Abner<sup>4</sup>, Richard<sup>3</sup>, John<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>), b. Dec. 6, 1785, Blandford, Mass.; m. Feb. 26, 1811, Sally Reynolds, b. Jan. 18, 1787; d. Apr. 11, 1842, Knoxboro, N. Y., dau. of Jeremiah Reynolds (Benj. of Windham, Conn.), and Roby Pye. Private 20th Reg. N. Y. Militia, 1814, in Capt. Isaac Benedict's Co. of Riflemen; marched to Sackett's Harbor under Lieut. Orange Foot. Had paid a substitute from 1812 to 1814. Farmer; Rep. Died July 29, 1875, Augusta, N. Y.

*Children:*

- Matthew, b. Feb. 1, 1812; d. Feb. 1, 1812  
 Martha, b. Feb. 1, 1812; d. Feb. 2, 1812.  
 172 Oliver Franklin, b. Apr. 1, 1813.  
 Sarah Ette, b. July 1, 1815; m. Ezra W. Symonds.  
 Chauncey, b. Oct. 6, 1817; d. July 2, 1847; m. Fidelia Shepard. *Children:* Emily and Edwin.  
 173 Daniel Wells, b. Oct. 4, 1819.  
 174 Hiram Mason, b. Jan. 6, 1822.  
 Adolphus, b. May 15, 1824; d. Apr. 16, 1874; m. Susan Reynolds of N. Y. City. Had a son Wm. Adolphus.  
 Ellen, b. Apr. 8, 1827; d. Dec. 14, 1869; m. Feb. 1, 1853, N. W. Hurlbut of Binghamton, N. Y.

77 Wells<sup>5</sup> Ranney (Abner<sup>4</sup>, Richard<sup>3</sup>, John<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>), b.

Sept. 7, 1794, Blandford, Mass.; m. (1) Priscilla Loveland; m. (2) Julia Sperry; m. (3) Almira Bartholomew, b. July 30, 1800, Augusta, N. Y., dau. of Josiah Bartholomew and Myra Wadhams Hyde. Rep.; Meth.; Farmer. d. Oct. 14, 1872, Royalton, N. Y.

*Children by 1st marriage:*

174a Milo, b. 1819.

175 Harvey Henderson, b. 1815.

Marvin, b. ———; killed by falling from a tree.

*Children by 2d marriage:*

175a Daniel, b. 1822.

175b Franklin, b. ———.

Maryette, b.

*Children by 3d marriage:*

176 Collins Bartholomew, b. Jan. 20, 1840.

Alminia, b. 1843; d. Oct. 14, 1872.

George Wells, b. 1846; m. Edna Dysinger. Res. Buffalo, N.

Y.; *child*, Howard, b. ———. Res. Buffalo, N. Y.

78 Lyman<sup>5</sup> Ranney (Abner<sup>4</sup>, Richard<sup>3</sup>, John<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>), b. Dec. 13, 1793, Blandford, Mass.; d. Feb. 11, 1879, Perrysburg, N. Y.; m. (1) ———, Sophronia Soper; m. (2) Louisa Toles; m. (3) Maria Clark, b. Oct. 23, 1810, Shelburne, Mass., d. Mar. 16, 1895, Perrysburg, dau. of Amasa Clark and Eunice Warren, who was b. Feb. 8, 1780, d. Aug. 23, 1880, being a centenarian. He was a farmer, a private in Capt. Orrin Gridley's Co. in war of 1812 and was a pensioner; Dem.; Meth.

*Children by 1st marriage:*

177 Philo, b. Oct. 13, 1818.

178 Eliza, b. Apr. 12, 1821; m. Moses Wood.

179 Sophronia, b. Oct. 16, 1822; d. Jan. 7, 1905; m. L. Vaughan. Sheldon, ———; d. St. Charles, Ill., young.

180 Edward Allen, b. Sept. 7, 1825.

*Children by 2d marriage:*

181 Diana, b. ———, 1831; d. 1854; m. John Eckels. Franklin, b. ———.

182 Warren Ezrum, b. Mar. 14, 1838.

183 DeWitt Clinton, b. ———, 1840.

*Children by 3d marriage:*

184 Caroline Celinda, b. Nov. 9, 1841; m. J. A. Grantier.

Ransom, b. Dec. 10, 1843; d. Jan. 11, 1845.

Morrell, b. May 31, 1845; d. June 6, 1850.

Emily Maria, b. July 12, 1849; m. Dec. 7, 1886, Perrysburg, Wallace Cadwell, b. Apr. 16, 1847, farmer. No children; res. Perrysburg, N. Y.

Oliver Lyman, b. May 25, 1854, unm. Res. Perrysburg, N. Y.

79 Eli<sup>5</sup> Ranney, (Abner<sup>4</sup>, Richard<sup>3</sup>, John<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>), b. June 27, 1796, Blandford, Mass.; m. (1) Dec. 27, 1818, Evaline Parmalee, b. Oct. 9, 1797, who d. Apr. 25, 1834, Knoxboro, N. Y.; m. (2) Lois Wetmore, b. Mar. 10, 1811, d. Sept. 26, 1879; farmer in Augusta, N. Y.; rem., 1844, to Perrysburg, N. Y.; and from thence to Spring Hill, Ia., farmer; Meth. Died Dec. 2, 1873, Spring Hill, Ia.

*Children by 1st marriage:*

185 Justin Worthy, b. Jan. 3, 1821.

186 Harmon, b. June 27, 1823.

187 Nancy Jane, b. Nov. 12, 1826; m. N. H. Miner.

188 Julius Caesar, b. Feb. 20, 1829.

189 Lovisa, b. Aug. 21, 1831; m. D. C. Brand.

*Children by 2d marriage:*

190 Frank Eli, b. Sept. 25, 1837.

191 Elizabeth Evelyn, b. July 9, 1840; m. Alfred Francis. Orzelia, b. Dec. 23, 1845; d. Dec. 9, 1873.

192 Helen Amelia, b. ————1847; m. Lewis S. Kennedy.

Mary, b. Mar. 24, 1850; m. Harvey Handy, b. 1844. *Children:*

Sadie, b. June, 1870.

Frank, b. June, 1876; res. Nesho, Missouri.

Minnie, b. ————; res. Nesho, Missouri.

80 Joseph<sup>5</sup> Ranney (Fletcher<sup>4</sup>, Joseph<sup>3</sup>, Joseph<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>), b. Aug. 6, 1751, Upper Houses; m. (1) June 29, 1778, Upper Houses, Ruth<sup>6</sup> White, b. 1754, Upper Houses, (Moses<sup>5</sup>, Isaac<sup>4</sup>, Daniel<sup>3</sup>, Nathaniel<sup>2</sup>, John<sup>1</sup>); d. Jan. 20, 1824; m. (2) Dec. 25, 1824, Lucy Edwards, dau. of Churchill Edwards, who d. Mar. 29, 1861, aged 89 years. He died Jan. 30, 1835. By his will he remembered his widow of course; Polinda, Eliza and Jane Wilcox, children of his deceased son Norman; Ruth, Augusta, and Emeline, children of his only living child, Rebecca; Henry Joseph, Moses and Mary, children of his deceased son, Moses; Asa Sage Ranney, child of his deceased son, Calvin; Mary Ann Warburton, child of



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MISS JULIA ISABEL RANNEY



MISS HARRIET AUGUSTA RANNEY

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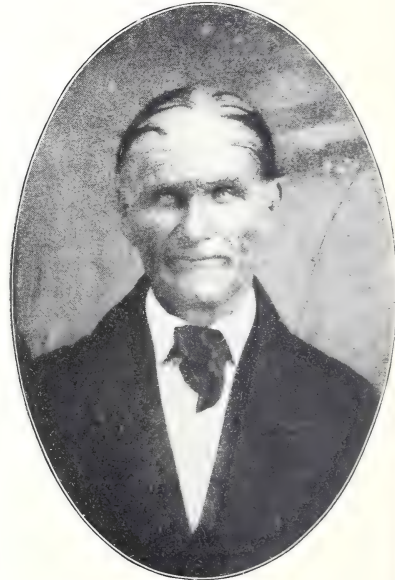
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his deceased daughter, Mary. His home from birth to death was the Fletcher Ranney house.

*Children:*

- Henry, b. Sept. 10, 1778; d. June 16, 1801.
- 193 Rebecca, b. Sept. 24, 1780; m. (1) Nov. 1801, John Edwards; (2) May 15, 1810, Thomas White. (See the White Family.)
- Mary, b. Apr. 3, 1783; m. Luther<sup>6</sup> Smith (John<sup>5</sup>, Joseph<sup>4</sup>, Rev. Joseph<sup>3</sup>). *Child:* Mary, b. —————; m. John Warburton, the millionaire of Hartford. She built Warburton chapel and was a philanthropist.
- 194 Moses, b. Dec. 22, 1785.  
Joseph, b. Nov. 27, 1788; d. Feb. 14, 1806.
- 195 Calvin, b. Apr. 15, 1791.
- 196 Norman, b. Apr. 22, 1793.  
Harvey, b. Apr. 14, 1795; d. Aug. 23, 1819, Charleston, S. C. Served in War of 1812, Aug. 18, 1814—Oct. 25, 1814, under Capt. Isaac Webber.

81 Simeon<sup>5</sup> Ranney (Fletcher<sup>4</sup>, Joseph<sup>3</sup>, Joseph<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>), b. Nov. 25, 1759, Upper Houses; m. Aug. 21, 1785, Mary<sup>5</sup> Savage, b. 1764, dau. of Dr. Solomon<sup>4</sup> Savage (Dea. William<sup>3</sup>, Serg. William<sup>2</sup>, John<sup>1</sup>), and Sarah Selden, b. Aug. 30, 1743, dau. of Capt. Thomas Selden of Haddam Neck. He served in the Rev. Army. Both owned the church covenant, June 19, 1788. He d. the next day. She d. —————.

*Children:*

- Simon, bapt. June 19, 1788; d. Jan. 23, 1810, aged 24; m. ————— Anna. She m. (2) Zachariah Somers.  
*Child:* Mary Ann, b. 1807; d. Feb. 26, 1821.  
Selden, bapt. June 19, 1788; d. Oct. 19, 1822.
- 197 Martin, bapt. June 19, 1788.

82 William<sup>5</sup> Ranney (Fletcher<sup>4</sup>, Joseph<sup>3</sup>, Joseph<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>), b. Nov. 14, 1763, Upper Houses; m. (1) June 20, 1790, Olive<sup>5</sup> Hamlin, bapt. Sept. 4, 1768, Middletown, (William<sup>4</sup>, Nathaniel<sup>3</sup>, William<sup>2</sup>, Giles<sup>1</sup>), d. Nov. 23, 1822; m. (2) Oct. 25, 1826, Sarah Clark of Westfield Society, Middletown. He purchased the Major Edward Eells place and kept a tannery. He was an original member, 1802, of the Baptist Church and deacon for many years, and his home was known as "The Ministers' Tavern." He d. Sept. 29, 1829. She was widow Clark and d. Sept. 11, 1843, aged 66.

*Children:*

- 198 Horace, bapt. Oct. 28, 1791.  
 199 William, bapt. June 9, 1793.  
 200 George, bapt. July 26, 1795.  
 201 Sarah, bapt. Apr. 10, 1797.  
     Timothy, bapt. June 23, 1799; d. Sept. 5, 1821.  
     Olive, ———— 1801; d. Oct. 3, 1826.  
 202 Henry, b. May 5, 1804.  
     Mary, b. Aug. 20, 1805; d. Mar. 20, 1832.  
 203 Joseph, b. Aug. 20, 1807; m. Jan. 1, 1834, Cleveland, O.,  
     Lucenia Fox, b. Sept. 24, 1807, Leroy N. Y.; d. 1885.  
     Shoe merchant; d. Aug. 4, 1873. *Child:* Sarah Kinney, b.  
     Dec. 14, 1847, unm. Res. Cleveland, O.

83 Stephen<sup>5</sup> Ranney (Stephen<sup>4</sup>, Joseph<sup>3</sup>, Joseph<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>),  
 b. Oct. 14, 1753, Upper Houses; m. Aug. 28, 1783, Esther Sage,  
 b. Oct. 11, 1753, dau. of Gen. Comfort Sage and Sarah Hamlin;  
 raised, Feb. 6, 1782 in St. John's Lodge F. A. M.; prominent  
 official in Episcopal Church. Owned one of the fine old mansions  
 on Elm Street, Middletown.

His second application for a pension dated June 22, 1820, reads:

"A volunteer at Roxbury in Feb. and March, 1776. He then  
 enlisted in Col. Samuel Wylly's Regt.;—from New York was  
 detached with Col. Tupper on board sloop *Hester*;—on the  
 arrival of the British army the detachment was forced to  
 return to New York—the 20th of June, 1776, received a warrant  
 as Surgeon's Mate in the 3d Regt., raised out of the militia of the  
 Colony of Connecticut,———was on Governor's Island when it  
 was evacuated, and in the retreat from New York to Harlem  
 Heights passed over from this place with the sick of the Regt. to  
 Hackensack and Paramuss——joined the Regt. soon after at North  
 Castle——where the Regt. was disbanded the last of Dec<sup>r</sup>. 1776,  
 ——Feb., 1777, entered as mate in the General Hosp<sup>l</sup> at Morris-  
 town——in June was appointed second Surgeon in the Hospital,  
 ——(the Commission was forwarded to the Department of War,  
 on his application for a Pension, April, 1818)——was in the Hos-  
 pitals in the vicinity of Morristown till late in the fall——was then  
 ordered to Princeton; sometime in the winter was sent to East  
 Town with the Hessian Pris<sup>rs</sup> wounded at Red Bank Fort——  
 was then ordered to Yellow Spring Hospital, in which I did duty  
 till taken sick, on my recovery was ordered to join Col. Nevils  
 Regt. Gen<sup>l</sup> Scotts' Brig<sup>e</sup> at Valley Forge when the army took the  
 field, removed the sick of the Brig<sup>e</sup> back into the County, the Hos-

pitals being broke up, went to Philadelphia, was then ordered to Fish Kill Hospital under the direction of Doc. McKnight, Surg<sup>n</sup> Gen<sup>l</sup>, of the Middle Department, remained at Fish Kill and the neighborhood, according to the best of my remembrance till Oct<sup>r</sup> 1780,—a new arrangement was made in the Hospital, resigned and spent the remainder of the war in armed vessels—that he has received a pension the certificate of which bears the number 1719.”

He had taken a fancy to writing his name Rainey, and it made him much trouble in trying to get a pension. In a letter he states: “I regret that it did not occur at the time I made out my declaration to spell my name as I did when in the service. It occurred when I received your letter, that that was the difficulty in my identity. Mr. Dane proposed the remedy that difficulty, if any, as you find in the enclosed papers. If Dr. Townsend was at West Point, he can testify to my declaration. I remember no one at that station but Eustace, Warren and Gordon—nearly half a century has elapsed, which makes havoc on the frame and memory. I have found the warrant alluded to in my declaration which I enclose for the novelty of the composition, the Governor of an English Colony authorizing me to act against the King.”

From a letter dated May 31, 1828, it appears that he was seeking to avail himself of the benefit of the Act providing for the surviving officers of the Revolutionary Army and he wrote a long letter to a friend in which he detailed his army experience. “In Feb., 1776, the British Army were besieged in Boston. I walked to Roxbury and entered a volunteer in Col. G. Wyllys’s Regiment. . . . 1780. At this period a new arrangement was made in the General Hospital, the second surgeon was struck out; I having served my country almost five years with my best abilities, having never been absent by furlough six weeks in the time, and if continued must accept a less station and pay; as there were enough older surgeons to fill the office of Surgeon, I left the Hospital and returned home still desirous to assist in gaining that Independence which my youthful ardor had led me to suffer so many hardships. And I have never received land or commutation and received a pension till the law voted it to damn paupers.

“I had three severe fits of sickness, and very much impaired my constitution, expended my property, as the pay although ample, which was \$60 per month and four rations, yet the depreciation was so great that it would not furnish decent clothing. I am often led to reflect on the subject and wonder what kept us together. I must say I enjoyed myself very much, and when our troubles were

the greatest, our pleasures seemed to produce the greatest hilarity; I believe that we were never at a greater ebb than at Valley Forge."

The following letters show how he wrote his name to his parents:

AMBOY ON BOARD SLOOP HESTER, June 3, 1776.

DEAR FATHER:—

I suppose you heard by Lieutenant Warner's letters that I have undertaken on board the privateer. I think I have much greater advantages here than in the Army, as I have the advantage of employing my time in physick. I act as Commodore's Clerk and Physician's mate. The Commodore is a gentleman of honour and courage, as you may see by last Summer's papers.

I will first let you know what fleet this is, as I suppose you know nothing about it there. It is composed of the *Commadere* of 10 guns, 10 swivels and every other instrument of War; the Sloop *Schuylcr* of 6 Guns, 8 or 10 swivels; the Schooner *Mifflin*, mounting swivels, Blunderbusses, wall pieces, etc. etc. She's much like a hornet's nest, full of men; Their hatches are made quite to the Cabin door, and they stand below Decks to fight; that the sides make a considerable breastwork; she swims not more than three feet clear of the water; that it must be a good shot to hit her.

Captain Clap with seven Whail Boats and 29 men, with fire-arms, plum-pudding hand grenade wall pieces, etc, etc.

Captain Stanwood with the same number and strength.

Lieutenant Toogood with 6 do. and 22 men equipped in the same manner; they are cruising off and are stationed out, the Sloop and the Schooner, the whail boats send up intelligence every other day; we are stationed at present at Amboy, tho' I hope we shall soon be relieved by some land force, which it is expected will be sent down to fortify; a small fort is begun but no guns mounted, nor is there at present any Troops here, only a Company of the train, besides us; we have just received intelligence that two more Ships have come in; their fleet is now augmented to 10 sail including Men of War, beside a Topsail Schooner, Sloop and two or three smaller fly boats; we have an Express gone down to Middleton to fetch up three Men that have deserted from the Men of War, we are informed that they bring News that they are in great want of provisions on board the Fleet, but further particulars I hope to be able to write before Night. I am much indebted to Captain Sumner for his great kindness in assisting me, he has always showed me the greatest marks of freedom and friendship, also Lieutenant Warner who I esteem with the most tender regard of Friendship; the Officers that I am now embarked with are very

free and Sociable that I live with the content and ease Immaginable. I go on Shore when I please, and come off when I please, and a more mild crew I judge never manned a Vessel of War, no man drops an oath without a Cobing, which is executed by the man that was punished before, that it makes a diversion for all and has entirely brook them that it is rare to hear an oath. Jere Norton is on board, no others belonging to Middletown. I have not yet been to see my aunt, but shall go I believe tomorrow.

I have got Verry portly since I came on board and free from my cold. My kind love to Mama, Grandmama and Brothers and Sisters and all enquiring Friends and Relations.

N. B. I wish you would send down my Coat and Jacket and Summer Jackets and Shirts, for my Shirts are most gone.

Dear Father I am your dutiful Son till Death,

STEPHEN RANNEY.

Direct your letters and Cloathes to Lieutenant Warner in Colonel Wylls's Regiment. Remember me to Mrs. Warner. [This was later Capt. and Major Robert Warner, C. C. A.]

MENDHEM, September 17, 1777.

DEAR PARENTS:—

I enjoy this opportunity of writing by Captain Warner and am very sorry to inform you that I have not received a letter from you since April. I wrote you in my last very fully of my situation which is as before, only in hourly expectation of Orders to move. We have at present only Ninety in Hospital and most of them in a recovering state. Our Army in Pennsylvania have had a very smart engagement, which by the best account, is very much in our favour, for tho' they caused us to retreat, yet their loss was more than three to one, and upon them conditions we can afford to retreat every Day. The Enemy crossed last week about 1000 strong at Elizabethtown point, and marched to New Ark and up Pasaick River, in Consiquence of which mineuver, I was sent to attend the wounded, which amounted to only Six and four or five Killed, they made a point of driving off all the Cattle they could get in their way—tho' they were very remarkably favorable on account of Plundering the Inhabitants which is a loss but too small to cover the Hook, for the Militia turn out very fully; we had the next upwards of 1200 Men in the field in high spirits, and we have a report that General McDougal is on his march with 2500 Men on their back, that I hope in a few days we shall be able to tell their Numbers with more Certainty. I am highly pleased to hear that General Stark with the New England Troops has behaved so well at Bennington, for they have become a proverb in

the Land. I am often put to the blush to hear the execrations that are constantly threw out against Connecticut in particular, that I am almost determined sometime to deny my native place. I am in a hurry as the man is waiting, you must excuse my not writing oftener, as it is very difficult sending being out of the post Road. If you have an opportunity of Sending to Morristown, desire them to leave it at the Doctor's Quarters, and they will send it to me Immediately. My Compliments to all enquiring—my love to all—Brothers and Sisters, etc. I remain with the sincerity

Your Dutiful Son,

*Stephen Ranney*

N.B. I send this letter enclosed to Captain Warner, who I hope will forward it.

In accordance with the rules of the pension office he filed an inventory which included six silver tablespoons bearing the date "1726" valued at \$3.00. He had evidently bought them at the sale of his father's effects, and the date indicates that they belonged to his grandfather, Joseph Ranney, who was married July 21, 1725. For 30 years, 1790—1820, he had been employed in the Middletown Customs office. His death occurred May 18, 1837; buried May 30, (Epis. Ch. Record). He is probably buried in the Gen. Comfort Sage tomb, Mortimer Cemetery, where his infant children are buried. His parents, brother and one sister have headstones in Mortimer Cemetery. The widow rem. to New London, Ct., to reside, and died there May 3, 1857. The daughters married into prominent families. The Family Bible is in the Jackson family of Middletown.

*Children:*

- Jabez Hamlin, b. Apr. 17, 1784; d. Oct. 16, 1802.  
 Esther, b. Mar. 31, 1786; d. 1892; m. John Vibbard of Waterford, N. Y. (Vibbert.)  
 Comfort Sage, b. Jan. 19, 1788, raised in St. John's Lodge, June 21, 1809; d. Aug. 1813, lost at sea returning from Bermuda.  
 Mary, b. Dec. 13, 1789; m. Dec. 21, 1832, Edward Hallam of New London, Ct.  
 Daniel Stephen, b. Feb. 18, 1792; d. Sept. 10, 1793.  
 Sarah Sage, b. Jan. 29, 1795; d. Dec. 13, 1795.

Sarah Sage, b. Nov. 13, 1796; d. Jan. 21, 1887; m. Nov. 1, 1841, Rev. Daniel Huntington of New London.

Stephen Augustus, b. Aug. 25, 1798; d. unm. Aug. 4, 1840 in Cuba.

Catherine Elizabeth, b. June 20, 1803; d. unm. Dec. 9, 1891, New London, Ct. Left a large property and many valuable papers of her father's, including his commission.

83a Samuel Ward<sup>5</sup> Ranney (Stephen<sup>4</sup>, Joseph<sup>3</sup>, Joseph<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>), b. May 13, 1758, Upper Houses, m. Jan. 15, 1784, Middletown, Ann Newell, b. Mar. 16, 1759, widow of Nathaniel Newell and dau. of Robert Gilchrist and Elizabeth Jackson; confirmed, 1786, by Bishop Seabury. Drowned June 17, 1832. Widow d. Apr. 6, 1833. Gravestones in Mortimer Cemetery. Robert Gilchrist and widow have gravestones in Riverside Cemetery.

*Children:*

Samuel Ward, bapt. Oct. 17, 1784.

Elizabeth Gilchrist, bapt. Sept. 24, 1786; m. Moses Ranney, which see.

James Dick, bapt. Sept. 7, 1788; d. South.

Martha, bapt. Apr. 3, 1791.

84 Capt. Charles<sup>5</sup> Ranney (Hezekiah<sup>4</sup>, Joseph<sup>3</sup>, Joseph<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>); b. Oct. 4, 1771, Upper Houses; m. May 5, 1791, Middletown Cong. Ch. Mabel<sup>7</sup> Stow, b.———, dau. of Peter<sup>6</sup> Stow (Serg. Nathaniel<sup>5</sup>, Nathaniel<sup>4</sup>, John<sup>3</sup>, Thomas<sup>2</sup>, John<sup>1</sup>). He purchased the house in Middletown which stood till a few years ago where the Catholic school stands; was a hatter; became sea captain, lost his vessel in an uprising in Hayti, but saved his life by giving the Masonic sign of distress, the leader of the negroes being a Mason. He ret. to his home, and soon rem. to region of Lansingburg, N. Y. where his father and brothers had gone. His Masonic lambskin apron, hand painted, owned by his granddaughter, Miss M. S. Ranney, of Austin, Minn., was on exhibition in 1904 at the reunion of the Society of Middletown Upper Houses. The widow went to Kentucky with her children and died in Livermore, Ky., Dec. 6, 1867. She was known as "Mehitable" Ranney, and in deeds had signed her name as Mehitable Ranney.

*Children:*

Charles, b.———; d. Dec. 19, 1791.

Lucretia, bapt. Nov. 19, 1801; m. Pearly Sharp. *Children:*  
William, Mary, Emma, m. Schenck; res. Maywood, Ill.

- Charles, bapt. Nov. 19, 1801; d. Dec. 19, 1801.  
 Joseph, bapt. Nov. 19, 1801; d. Dec. 5, 1801.  
 William, bapt. Nov. 19, 1801; d. same day.  
 Charles, b.—————; d. unm. 1836, Newburyport, Mass.
- 204 William W. b. Sept. 5, 1805.  
 Clarissa, b.—————; m. Joseph Peters. *Children*: William, Joseph, John, Jane, Mary.
- 205 Abigail, b. June 15, 1810; m. Lysander Button.  
 Mary, b.—————; m. Edwin Lawrence of Newburyport, Mass. *Children*: Charles, Mary, Albert.
- 206 James Stow, b. July 15, 1812.

85 Hezekiah<sup>5</sup> Ranney (Hezekiah<sup>4</sup>, Joseph<sup>3</sup>, Joseph<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>), b. Jan. 17, 1774, Upper Houses; m. Mary Richardson, b. May 30, 1797, Middletown, dau. of Roland Richardson and Elizabeth Pierpont. They were members of the Methodist Church. He was a tanner and shoemaker, a natural combination for those times. He rem. to Edinburgh, N. Y., later to Rochester, and then to Geneseo, becoming a merchant. Died there Aug. 4, 1857.

*Children:*

- 207 Jabez, b. 1799.  
 Roland, b.—————; d. at sea, 1856.  
 George, b.—————; d. Apr. 8, 1828.  
 Joseph, b.—————; d. July 18, 1823.  
 Eliza, b.—————; d. Dec. 30, 1809.
- 208 Maria, b.—————; m. Joseph Dewey.  
 Harriet, b.—————; m. Isaac Newton.

86 Roderick<sup>5</sup> Ranney (Hezekiah<sup>4</sup>, Joseph<sup>3</sup>, Joseph<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>), b. Mar. 24, 1780, Upper Houses; m. (1) July 1, 1802, Sally<sup>7</sup> Danforth, b. July 1, 1785, Middletown, d. July 17, 1815, Kingsbury, N. Y., dau. of Joseph<sup>6</sup> Danforth (Thomas<sup>5</sup>, Thomas<sup>4</sup>, Samuel<sup>3</sup>, Samuel<sup>2</sup>, Nicholas<sup>1</sup>) and Sarah King; m. (2) Mar. 11, 1816, Elizabeth Bylan. He rem. to Lansingburg, N. Y. and to Stafford near Batavia, settling on the Holland Purchase when the country was new and d. there Jan. 9, 1857. The four children were baptized Sept. 10, 1809, by the Epis. rector of Middletown, "while on a visit from New York."

*Children:*

- 209 Roderick Hartshorn, b.—————.
- 210 Jacob Lansing, b. Apr. 26, 1807.  
 Sally, b.—————; d. at 16 years.  
 Martha Danforth, b.—————; m. David B. Smalley.



87 David Stocking<sup>5</sup> Ranney (Hezekiah<sup>4</sup>, Joseph<sup>3</sup>, Joseph<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>), b. Apr. 22, 1787, Upper Houses; m. Sept. 12, 1812, Ann K. Gardner, b. May 15, 1789, Boston, Mass.; d. Aug. 26, 1877, Boston. He rem. with his father to Edinburg, N. Y.; Rem. to Boston where he m. Took part in the defence of Boston in War of 1812. Unitarian. Was a furniture merchant many years; d. Oct. 23, 1864, Chelsea, Mass., buried in Mt. Auburn Cem., Cambridge, Mass.

*Children:*

- David Gardner, b. Dec. 18, 1813; d. Mar. 23, 1815.  
 214 David Gardner, b. Feb. 2, 1816.  
 Ann, b. May 28, 1818; d. Mar. 7, 1819.  
 Franklin Gardner, b. Dec. 4, 1820; d. unm. June 4, 1870, Boston.  
 William Henry, b. Apr. 5, 1823.

88 Horatio Gates<sup>5</sup> Ranney (Hezekiah<sup>4</sup>, Joseph<sup>3</sup>, Joseph<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>), b. Dec. 25, 1799; m. Minerva S. Coon, dau. of Albasinda Coon. Merchant in Cleveland, O.

*Children:*

- Charles Horatio, b. Jan. 19, 1836; m. Apr. 19, 1868, Elizabeth T. Bowen, b. Oct. 4, 1844, dau. of David and Mary Williams Bowen. Served in Co. A, 7th Ohio, and Co. F, 124th Ohio Vol. Inf. Res. Cleveland, Ohio,  
*Children:*

- Mary A., b. July 29, 1870; d. Aug. 11, 1870.  
 George W., b. Jan. 2, 1872; d. Apr. 30, 1872.  
 George C., b. Jan. 29, 1874; d. Mar. 10, 1877.  
 John G., b. Sept. 23, 1875; d. Sept. 28, 1875.  
 Infant, b. Apr. 8, 1880; still born.  
 Olive, b. 1838; m. John L. Gossen; dau. m. Chas. H. Williams. Res. Cleveland, O.  
 Julia, b. 1840; m. A. J. Stevens. Res. ———.  
 John C., b. 1844; d. 1863.

88a Sylvester<sup>5</sup> Ranney (Hezekiah<sup>4</sup>, Joseph<sup>3</sup>, Joseph<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>). b. Aug. 2, 1802, Saratoga Co., N. Y.; m. ————1834, Rochester, N. Y., Ann Stillwell, b. June 4, 1811, New Jersey; d. 1902, Cleveland, O., dau. of William Stillwell and Elizabeth Bachelder. He engaged with his brother, Horatio, and stepbrother, Orrin Sage, in the shoe business at Ballston, and then at Rochester, N. Y. Rem. with Horatio to Cleveland where they conducted a shoe business. Rep. Baptist; d. Apr. 15, 1879, Cleveland.

*Children:*

- 212 William Stillwell, b. Feb. 10, 1835.  
Helen, b. Jan. 29, 1839; m. Fitch Adams.

89 Ensign Daniel Ranney<sup>5</sup> Hamlin (Lucretia<sup>4</sup> Ranney, Capt. Daniel<sup>3</sup>, Joseph<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>), b. July 23, 1755, Middletown; m. Aug. 1, 1779, Ruth Ward (from Ensign William<sup>1</sup> Ward). Served in 8th Co., Col. Comfort Sage's 3d Battalion, Brig. Gen. Wadsworth's Brigade, 1776; in Col. Samuel Webb's Regt. serg. May 24, 1777; ensign May 16, 1778—1779; rem. to New Hartford, N. Y., where he died 1809.

His youngest child was Daniel Ranney<sup>6</sup> Hamlin, b. Aug. 30, 1800, New Hartford, N. Y. He rem. to Buffalo where he assisted in the ceremonies incident to the reception of Gen. Lafayette; d. July 23, 1881. His fourth child, Harriet Cornelia<sup>7</sup> Hamlin, b. Aug. 24, 1842, Buffalo, N. Y.; m. there, June 13, 1876, Dr. Dugald Macniel, b. 1845, Argyleshire, Scotland. Rep., Freemason, A. O. U. W., Buffalo Med. Club; she grad. of Buffalo Seminary; Presby.; D. A. R. He died Mar.—1884. Widow resides in Buffalo, N. Y. *Children:*

Caroline Huntington, b. Apr. 3, 1877, an artist. Res. Buffalo, N. Y.

Elizabeth Hamlin, b. June 18, 1881; m. Aug. 26, 1903, Charles Morgan Olmstead, Ph.D., b. Jan. 19, 1881, LeRoy, N. Y., son of John Bryant Olmstead. Grad. 1903, Harvard. Scientific astronomer at the Carnegie Observatory, Mt. Wilson, Cal. She grad. Smith Coll. *Children:* Dugald Macniel, b. Mar. 21, 1904. Germany. John Barton, b. July 5, 1905, Germany.

90 Esther<sup>5</sup> Hamlin (Lucretia<sup>4</sup> Ranney, Daniel<sup>3</sup>, Joseph<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>), b. July 10, 1759, Middletown; m. Oct. 7, 1784, Abner Hubbard, b. Mar. 10, 1750, son of George and Mary Hubbard. Serg. Maj. in Capt. Warner's Co., Col. John Durkee's 1st Regt., Conn Line, Oct. 1, 1780—Dec. 31, 1781. Pension, June 21, 1821, signed by John C. Calhoun, Sec'y of War. Rem. to Norwich, Vt., where he d. Mar. 13, 1834; she d. July 23, 1836. Of their children:

- 213 Gen. Abner<sup>6</sup> Hubbard, b. July 19, 1792.

91 Mary<sup>5</sup> Hamlin (Lucretia<sup>4</sup> Ranney, Daniel<sup>3</sup>, Joseph<sup>2</sup>,



MRS. ZENANA AMELIA (RANNEY) JONES  
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LUKE FRANK RANNEY  
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REV. C. H. W. STOCKING, D. D.  
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Thomas<sup>1</sup>), b. 1760, Middletown; m. Dec. 16, 1784, Benj. Gilbert, b. July 29, 1760, private 8th Co., 3d Batt. Wadsworth's Brigade, pensioned. She d. June 23, 1826; he d. May 11, 1846, of their

*Children:*

- Mary Gilbert, b. Oct. 11, 1785; m. Sept. 14, 1807, Samuel Miller. *Children:*  
 Dr. Phineas T. Miller, b. May 3, 1810; m. Aug. 31, 1833, Elvira Whitmore. He d. at sea, Feb. 21, 1850. *Child:*  
 Ellen Elvira, b. Sept. 14, 1837; m. Oct. 8, 1855, Avery Case. *Child:*  
 Idella Maria Case, b. June 17, 1857; m. W. W. Williams, who d. Mar. 7, 1900. She res. Winsted, Ct.  
 Harriet Gilbert Miller, b. Mar. 3, 1812; d. Jan. 14, 1897; m. May 14, 1840, Daniel Hall\* Hart. *Children:*  
 Ives Williams, b. Oct. 4, 1841, Meriden, Conn.; m. Nov. 24, 1870, Mrs. Ellen Lane, dau. of Russell and Mabel (Munger) Tooley, b. Mar. 7, 1840. Res. Meriden, Ct. *Child:* Arthur Miller, b. May 20, 1872; m. Nov. 18, 1896, Catherine Jane Owen, b. July 8, 1872. Res. Meriden, Ct. *Child:* Owen Stephen, b. Sept. 23, 1898.  
 Ellen Delia, b. Nov. 23, 1842, unm. Res. Meriden, Ct.  
 Edmund Benjamin, b. Dec. 31, 1845; d. Jan. 26, 1905; m. Sept. 23, 1878, Harriet Beecher Denison, b. Dec. 24, 1853, d. Jan. 26, 1889. *Children:*  
 Edmund Denison, b. Oct. 26, 1879; d. July 28, 1882.  
 Harriet Edith, b. July 16, 1883; m. Oct. 19, 1904, Arthur O. Lamb. Res. Greenfield, Mass.  
 Anna Eliza, b. Jan. 20, 1889; d. Apr. 9, 1889.  
 Albert Denison, b. Jan. 20, 1889.  
 Orrin Gilbert, b. Apr. 9, 1793; m. June 7, 1832, Mary Bacon, b. May 8, 1806.

\* Daniel Hall Hart, b. June 19, 1815. d. Oct. 2, 1891, was the son of Samuel Ives Hart and Abigail Hall.

Samuel Ives Hart, b. Nov. 22, 1792, d. Sept. 10, 1870, the son of Benjamin Hart, a Rev. soldier, and Jerusha Rich, was an industrious farmer, a deacon of the First Baptist church of Meriden, of which his wife was a member.

Abigail Hall, b. Aug. 25, 1793, d. Dec. 12, 1875, was the daughter of Daniel and Elizabeth Hall and the great-granddaughter of Dr. Isaac Hall, one of Meriden's earliest physicians. Isaac Hall, her grandfather, served in the Rev. Army, was one of the 13 original members, and the first clerk of the First Baptist church of Meriden.

These Halls descended from John<sup>1</sup> Hall of Hartford, New Haven, and Wallingford, and is not to be confounded with John<sup>1</sup> Hall, Senior, of Hartford and Middletown.

Henry Gilbert, b. Mar. 27, 1842; m. (2) Nov. 26, 1874,  
Miranda Wilcox. *Child:*

Lucy Mary Gilbert, b. Dec. 18, 1880; m. Jan. 1, 1901,  
Chas. A. Congdon. Res. Middletown, Ct. *Child:*  
Frederick Gilbert Congdon.

92 William<sup>5</sup> Ranney (Jonathan<sup>4</sup>, Jonathan<sup>3</sup>, Joseph<sup>2</sup>,  
Thomas<sup>1</sup>), b. Nov. 30, 1783, Middletown, Ct.; m. Nov. 16, 1808,  
Clarissa Gaylord, b. Jan. 22, 1789, Upper Houses, dau. of Samuel  
Gaylord, a Rev. patriot, and Azubah Atkins. He was a sea captain  
and was lost at sea Feb., 1829. She was adm. Dec. 7, 1827, to the  
South Cong. Ch. of Middletown and d. Dec. 16, 1863.

*Children:*

213a Clarissa Gaylord, b. Aug. 26, 1809; m. Aug. 3, 1838, Zebu-  
lon Hale Baldwin, died in Friendship, N. Y., Aug. 14,  
1886. *Child:*

William Ranney, b. Oct. 24, 1840; grad. 1862, Wesleyan  
Uni.; m. Sept. 15, 1863, Laura Malinda Prior. He  
was ord. Apr. 17, 1877; pastor 5 yrs. of Baptist  
Ch., Oxford, N. Y. Held various parishes until  
Dec. 21, 1896, when health failed. Died June 26,  
1906, Friendship, N. Y. Widow res. Friendship, N. Y.  
One child.

214 William, b. May 9, 1813.

Richard Atkins, b. Aug. 29, 1815; d. unm. Jan. 13, 1859.  
Elizabeth Nott, b. July 27, 1822; d. June 29, 1874; m. Mar.  
21, 1868, John Drake of Middletown.

93 Margaret<sup>5</sup> Ranney (Ebenezer<sup>4</sup>, Ebenezer<sup>3</sup>, Ebenezer<sup>2</sup>,  
Thomas<sup>1</sup>), b. Dec. 23, 1774, Upper Houses, bapt. Jan. 1, 1775;  
m. Aug. 24, 1801, Capt. John Keith, b. Dec. 4, 1775, d. at sea  
1803, eldest son of William Keith and Polly Lions Callahan, b.  
in Cork, Ireland. In 1799 Capt. Keith purchased the 1761 house  
built by John<sup>3</sup> Sage. It became his home at marriage in 1801.  
Since then it has been the Ranney-Adams homestead, having de-  
scended in the female line to the present occupants. Nov. 6, 1805.  
the widow m. Capt. John Collins who was lost at sea in 1813. In  
that year her young nephew, James Ranney, became her child as if  
by adoption and they were not separated till her death on Thanks-  
giving Day, 1869, falling that year on Nov. 19, almost 95 years  
of age. She was in her early widowhood noted for her care of  
the neighboring sick. For over 30 years she sat in winter by the  
fire without a care and without a frown, beloved by the grand-

children of her protégé. After the age of 80 she had no need to call a physician. On the day of her death she ate breakfast with the family and spoke of the home coming of the Adams children to the feast. Then she laid herself down to rest and gently breathed her last. As they approached the house the crape on the door startled the children, not knowing what it betokened. As she lay in her coffin there was not a wrinkle on her placid face. Her only child, Margaret Collins, b. Dec. 6, 1810, d. Nov. 20, 1895, unm., having lived from birth to death under the one roof.

94 James<sup>5</sup> Ranney (Ebenezer<sup>4</sup>, Ebenezer<sup>3</sup>, Ebenezer<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>), bapt. Nov. 10, 1782, Upper Houses; m. May 13, 1802, Epis. Ch. Middletown, Elizabeth Collins Keith, b. May 22, 1782, Middletown, dau. of William Keith and Polly Lions Callahan. His father built for him the "Bugbee" house on the north quarter of the original Ranney homestead. He was a sea captain and died on his ship, Jan. 23, 1805 "in Carolina." The widow d. of consumption Sept. 11, 1813. She gave her son James to his aunt Margaret Ranney Collins, and her son William to his grandfather.

*Children:*

- William Keith, bapt. Apr. 14, 1805; unm.; drowned from a vessel, Aug. 12, 1839.  
 215 James, b. Feb. 17, 1805.

## SIXTH GENERATION.

95 Moses<sup>6</sup> Ranney (Thomas Stow<sup>5</sup>, Jeremiah<sup>4</sup>, Thomas<sup>3</sup>, Thomas<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>), b. May 14, 1799, Brentwood, N. H.; m. Jan. 26, 1826, North Newport, Me., Hannah Reed Steward, b. July 22, 1805, Norridgewock, Me.; d. June 30, 1892, Stetson, Me., dau. of Thomas Steward and Nancy Bicknell. Farmer; Rep.; Univ. He d. June 15, 1877, Stetson, Me.

*Children:*

- Thomas Stow, b. July 19, 1827; d. Apr. 23, 1877, unm.  
 216 Moses Hook, b. June 27, 1830.  
 217 Stephen Steward, b. Jan. 30, 1833.  
     Nancy Steward, b. Jan. 30, 1833, unm. Res. Bangor, Me.  
     Hannah Jane, b. July 26, 1839; m. Henry Johnson; d. Dec. 22, 1870. No children.  
 218 Laura Albina, b. Mar. 12, 1846; m. Chas. W. Crockett.

96 Hannah<sup>6</sup> Ranney (Thomas Stow<sup>5</sup>, Jeremiah<sup>4</sup>, Thomas<sup>3</sup>, Thomas<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>), b. Sept. 4, 1801, Brentwood, N. H.; m. Sept. 6, 1821, Stetson, Me., Samuel Stetson, b. Jan. 12, 1793, Randolph, Mass.; Whig; farmer. He d. 1853, Stetson, Me. She, Baptist, d. 1876, Stetson, Me.

*Children:*

- Irene, b. Aug. 8, 1822; m. Ralph C. Eveleth.  
 219 Rebecca, b. Sept. 13, 1824; m. Henry V. French.  
     Nancy, b. May 23, 1827; m. (1) Dr. J. H. Turner; (2) F. O. Howard.  
     Samuel Ranney, b. Apr. 5, 1834; d. ———, Augusta, Me.

97 Thomas Stow<sup>6</sup> Ranney (Thomas Stow<sup>5</sup>, Jeremiah<sup>4</sup>, Thomas<sup>3</sup>, Thomas<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>), b. Dec. 7, 1810, Brentwood, N. H.; m., 1836, Stetson, Me., Sarah Allen, b. Nov. 3, 1812, Stetson, Me.; dau. of Thorndike Allen and Sarah Cole. Rep.; Univ. He d. Mar. 19, 1868, Winn, Me. She d. Sept. 18, 1890, Winn, Me.

*Children:*

- 219a George Stetson, b. Feb. 28, 1840.  
     Hannah Hook, b. 1842.  
 220 Irene Stetson, b. Mar. 13, 1856; m. Wm. E. Young. Res. Portland, Me.



220a Thorndike Allen, b. Oct. 28, 1857.

98 Nathan<sup>6</sup> Ranney (Nathan<sup>5</sup>, Jeremiah<sup>4</sup>, Thomas<sup>3</sup>, Thomas<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>), b. Apr. 27, 1797, Bethlehem, Conn.; m. Oct. 31, 1827, St. Louis, Mo., Amelia Jane Shackford, b. July 26, 1809, Portsmouth, N. H.; d. Feb. 18, 1882, St. Louis, Mo., dau. of John Shackford and Jane Smallcorn. He d. Aug. 21, 1876, Montreal, Canada, while on a visit there.

At sixteen years of age he enlisted in the war against England against the remonstrance of his friends and refused a discharge which his uncle, Lieut. Col. Stephen Ranney of the 4th U. S. Infantry, offered to obtain for him.

This desire of serving his country in battle was soon gratified for he "was one of three hundred Americans who cut their way through a greatly superior British force near Plattsburgh, and was one of the forlorn hope who crossed the Saranac river under the range of a British battery to a thick underbrush of dry pine. He was severely wounded in this gallant exploit; but in a little while after, wishing to distinguish himself by an act still more daring, he took twenty choice men, and in the dead hour of the night successfully surprised a town in possession of a large British force, and carried off three prisoners of rank, without the loss of a single man.

"The gallant bearing of young Ranney soon won for him the respect of his commanding officers, and he was quickly promoted, first as sergeant, and afterwards as provost marshal; and his conduct throughout the whole war showed that patriotism alone influenced his services, and not a love for military promotion. A few years after leaving the army, desirous of making for himself a name and fortune, he came to St. Louis in 1819 and commenced commercial pursuits.

"In the year 1827, two important events occurred in his life, and which have greatly administered to his happiness—he married in that year Miss Amelia J. Shackford—and became likewise wedded to the Presbyterian Church. His marriage has been blessed with a large family of children, and in the church of which he is such an efficient member, he has long been an elder.

"Though born in an Eastern State, and under a cold clime, General Ranney is neither a Northern nor a Southern maniac, but a conservative man, and his heart is as warm as a summer's sun. In 1836, General Ranney was appointed by Governor Dunklin, Brigadier-General in the Missouri Militia. In 1842, he was president pro tempore of the Board of Aldermen [of St. Louis] and for years president of the board of Public Schools. In 1851 he

delivered an eloquent address at Burlington, Iowa, declaring himself a Union man. In 1855, he addressed the convention of the soldiers of 1812 at Philadelphia. In 1856, he spoke at a large American meeting in St. Louis; and there are very few his equal in a stump speech. In 1857, when the financial panic caused the money of other states to be refused, he called a meeting of merchants, and restored confidence in foreign currency, and thereby saved many frightened individuals from falling a prey to the money sharks, who, on such occasions, are always ready to make a glorious feast.

“In his military career General Ranney showed himself ready and fearless in action, patriotic in his aims, and kind and sympathizing as a soldier and as an officer. In political life he is never violent, but while he is firm and frank in the expression of his principles, he is at all times courteous to all holding opinions differing from his own. In the civil positions which he has filled he has been marked for his attention, his industry, and his clear and discriminating judgment; and any office he holds, he never makes it a sinecure, but holds it as a responsible trust, and attends, with the most scrupulous exactness, to its minutest details. As a friend he is confiding and generous; and as a merchant, his present affluence, gathered amid uncertain fluctuations of commercial life, is an evidence of the possession of the requisites adapted to that respectable but precarious pursuit.

“With the exception of Mr. Henry Von Phul, senior, General Ranney is the oldest merchant in St. Louis now living, and the store and warehouse of Shackford and Ranney were, for a long time, the only buildings of the kind on the levee, consequently, he has been a resident of St. Louis from its infancy, and his exertions and example have helped its growth and assisted its advance. Though upward of threescore years of age, from his regular life he is still hale and vigorous, and is now the cashier and general agent of the St. Louis, Cairo and New Orleans Railroad line of steamers, and is always to be found, during business hours giving his attention to the important position he knows so well how to fill. He is president of the Missouri Bible Society, and in all of the relations of his diversified life there is not a stain resting upon his character.”—*From Edwards' "Great West."*

He was one of the founders of the Missouri Historical Society, 1866, and its second president from 1869 to 1872.

*Children:*

John Shackford, b. July 31, 1828; d. Sept. 22, 1837.

Ann Augusta, b. Aug. 24, 1830; d. June 28, 1831.

Louisa Jane Hawthorne, b. Feb. 17, 1832; m. James H. Goodman.

Julia Kingsbury, b. Sept. 2, 1834; m. James R. Garniss.

221 Maria Kerr, b. Nov. 14, 1836; m. Chas. W. Hale.

John Shackford, b. Nov. 13, 1838; d. Apr. 5, 1839.

Nathan William, b. Feb. 27, 1840; d. June 17, 1845.

John Shackford, b. July 22, 1842; d. July 22, 1842.

Ann Amelia Shackford, b. Dec. 12, 1843; m. James H. Wallace.

222 Charlotte Ella, b. Nov. 24, 1845; m. George J. Cochran.

Howard, b. Sept. 12, 1848.

Gertrude, b. Dec. 13, 1850; m. James F. Armstrong. Res. Crawbrook, British Columbia.

John Mudgett, b. Oct. 16, 1853; d. Sept. 20, 1866.

Cornelia Shackford, b. Feb. 17, 1856; d. July 25, 1856.

99 Nathaniel Cole<sup>6</sup> Ranney (Nathan<sup>5</sup>, Jeremiah<sup>4</sup>, Thomas<sup>3</sup>, Thomas<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>), b. ———; m. Minerva Merritt, dau. of Peter Merritt of Fair Haven, Vt. He rem. 1831, to Angelica, N. Y. Thence about 1861 to Marshall, Mich. *Children:*

Harriet, b. ———; m. ——— East. Res. Marshalltown, Ia.

Harrison Dayton, b. ———. Res. Weston, Ohio. *Children:*

Charles Caton. Res. Sacramento, Cal.

Albert Dayton. Res. Blue Hills, Nev.

Harrison W. Res. Kansas City, Kan.

Mary A., m. ——— Hobart. Res. Riverton, Neb.

Edwin C. Business, 27 Pearl St., N. Y. City.

Harriet Elizabeth, m. — Langley. Res. Bayonne, N. J.

Florence Minerva, unm. Res. Bayonne, N. J.

Julia, b. Jan. 26, 1842.

223 Julius Merritt, b. Jan. 26, 1842.

100 Caleb Barnes<sup>6</sup> Ranney (Nathan<sup>5</sup>, Jeremiah<sup>4</sup>, Thomas<sup>3</sup>, Thomas<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>), b. 1807, Whitehall, N. Y.; m. Charlotte Kittredge, b. Salem, Mass., dau. of Oliver Kittredge and Mary Hamilton. Farmer.

*Children:*

Mary, b. May 5, 1832, Fair Haven, Vt.; d. Jan. 10, 1895;

m. Feb. 12, 1856, Reuben Trowbridge Ellis, b. Dec. 27,

1827, Fair Haven, Vt.; d. June 16, 1898, Hampton,

N. Y.; farmer. *Children:*

Charles Ranney, b. Oct. 13, 1856; m. May 7, 1877,  
Round Lake, N. Y., Mabel Francis Wilson, b. May 7,  
1877, dau. of Albert Wilson and Mary Jane Miller.  
Res. Fair Haven, Vt. *Children:*

Mary Pearl, b. Nov. 27, 1898.

Albert Reuben, b. May 31, 1900.

Oliver Kittredge, b. Mar. 8, 1834, Fair Haven Vt.; m.  
(1) Jennie Moore, (2) Bessie Moore, sisters, daus.  
of John and Eliza Moore. *Children:*

Hattie, b. ———; m. John H. Williams. Res. Rutland,  
Vt.

Herbert K, b. ———; m. Emily Knight. Res. Way-  
land, Mass.

Charles M, b. ———; unm., lawyer. Res. Boston, Mass.

Fred Oliver, b. Nov. 22, 1872; m. Sept. 1, 1901, Annie  
Lacey, b. 1874. Rep.; Meth.; I. O. O. F.; farmer.  
Res. Windsor, Vt.

Arthur Edward, b. ———; unm. Res. West Windsor,  
Vt.

101 Martha Patty<sup>6</sup> Ranney (Solomon<sup>5</sup>, Jeremiah<sup>4</sup>, Thomas<sup>3</sup>,  
Thomas<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>), b. Apr. 15, 1786, Bethlehem, Ct.; m. Aug.  
13, 1804, Harvey Davis, b. Apr. 28, 1780; d. Feb. 6, 1861. She d.  
Mar. 6, 1876, Kortright, N. Y.

*Children:*

Polly, b. Jan. 27, 1806.

John, b. Feb. 4, 1808; d. Sept. 20, 1880.

Eliza, b. July 4, 1812; d. Apr. 18, 1838.

Jacob, b. Nov. 10, 1814; d. Apr. 28, 1838.

224 William, b. Jan. 1, 1817.

Solomon, b. Sept. 4, 1819.

Catherine, b. Aug. 13, 1821.

Harvey, b. May 2, 1824; d. Sept. 23, 1897.

Ferris, b. Aug. 24, 1826; d. ———, 1892.

225 Andrew Jackson, b. Nov. 24, 1828.

Stephen, b. Aug. 4, 1832; d. Dec. 18, 1891; m. Oct. 9, 1856,  
Ellen Aitkin.

102 Jeremiah Ranney<sup>6</sup> (Stephen<sup>5</sup>, Jeremiah<sup>4</sup>, Thomas<sup>3</sup>,  
Thomas<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>), b. Jan. 15, 1786, Bethlehem, Conn.; m.  
Jan. 1, 1810, Susan Beach, b. Feb. 7, 1787; d. Oct. 27, 1821,  
near Jackson, Mo. He was a farmer residing at Bethlehem,  
Conn.; Hartwick, N. Y.; and d. Mar. 18, 1855, Jackson, Mo.

*Children:*

- 226 Royal, b. Dec. 10, 1810.  
Susan Beach, b. Feb. 20, 1812; d.———, 1855.
- 227 Johnson, b. Jan. 15, 1814.  
Jeremiah, b. Feb. 27, 1816.  
Asahel Beach, b. Sept. 20, 1818; d.———, 1855.

103 Johnson<sup>6</sup> Ranney (Stephen<sup>5</sup>, Jeremiah<sup>4</sup>, Thomas<sup>3</sup>, Thomas<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>), b. Dec. 19, 1789, Litchfield, Conn.; m. (1) June 21, 1832, Mary Carter Gayle, b. Aug. 7, 1808; d. Apr. 6, 1833; m. (2) June 11, 1835, Emily Neale, b. May 15, 1810.

He was appointed an ensign in the 4th U. S. Infantry May 19, 1812, and accepted from Salisbury, Conn., June 7, 1812; was promoted to the grade of second lieutenant, same regiment, May 30, 1813; first lieutenant of the same regiment, June 28, 1814, and was honorably discharged the service June 15, 1815. In the same year he went to Jackson, Mo., and began the practice of the law, but there was prejudice even then, against him as a "Yankee." By economy, diligence, hard study and natural ability he accumulated what was considered a fortune in those days. While not an orator he had a thorough knowledge of law, an analytical turn of mind, a faculty for questioning a witness. He stood with Greer Davis, Gen. English, Gen. Nathaniel Watkins (half brother to Henry Clay), Gen. Buckner, of Indiana and Thomas H. Benton, of Mo. Gen. Buckner on returning to Indiana said to Gen. Stephen Ranney of his son Johnson, "He is the best lawyer in Missouri except myself." His courage was shown in defending a penniless negro charged with murder—and liable to be mobbed for so doing.

In his personal appearance he was unprepossessing, amounting to ugliness. It is related of him that while going on horseback from Jackson, Mo., to New Madrid, Mo., to attend court, he was hailed by a lady who without ceremony began to relate her troubles. As soon as he discerned the tendency of her remarks he informed her that she should speak to Judge Cook of the Circuit Court. "Why," she said, "you are Judge Cook." "No, madam, I am Johnson Ranney." "Well," she replied, "I was told to watch the road this morning for the ugliest man I ever saw and you are that man."

He was somewhat negligent of his attire and while arguing an important case before the Supreme Court one of the judges reprimanded him for disrespect to the court in appearing before it in such slovenly attire. The next morning Mr. Ranney appeared in court dressed like a dandy. "May it please the court" he said

as he resumed the argument, "before proceeding I should like to know if the fastidious taste of the court interposes any obstacle to my recognition." Eccentric and peculiar in many of his ways he was an affectionate husband and father and after his own father's death in 1827 he cared for his younger brothers as though they were his own children. In politics he was a Whig. He died Nov. 11, 1849, Jackson, Mo.

*Children:*

- 228 Johnson Camp, b. June 15, 1836.  
Thomas Neale, b. Sept. 19, 1837; law student at Harvard, 1860, killed, 1865, by Federal troops after he had surrendered.
- 229 Mary Gayle, b. Jan. 7, 1840; m. John Beardslee.  
Warren Davis, b. Dec. 31, 1841; d. Apr. 24, 1842.  
Ellen Davis, b. Sept. 12; 1844; d. Jan. 29, 1845.

104 Hannah Cooper<sup>6</sup> Ranney (Stephen<sup>5</sup>, Jeremiah<sup>4</sup>, Thomas<sup>3</sup>, Thomas<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>), b. Jan. 11, 1811, Litchfield, Ct.; m. Willis McGuire. She d. in Jackson, Mo.; he in Chico, Texas.

*Child:*

William Ranney, b. \_\_\_\_\_; m. \_\_\_\_\_. *Children:*  
William Sanford, John Ranney, Robert Lee. Res. Chico, Texas.

105 William Caton<sup>6</sup> Ranney (Stephen<sup>5</sup>, Jeremiah<sup>4</sup>, Thomas<sup>3</sup>, Thomas<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>), b. Feb. 20, 1815, Whitehall, N. Y.; m. Dec. 10, 1846, Maplewood, Mo., Elizabeth Giboney, b. July 11, 1818, Maplewood, Mo., dau. of Robert Giboney and Ann Dunn. Robert Giboney had been granted a large tract of land near Cape Girardeau by the Spanish government because of the fact that he was a blacksmith.

William Caton Ranney came from Jeffersonville, Ind., in 1825 to Jackson, Mo., locating on a farm one and a half miles north of that place. He secured a good common school education, which was supplemented with a course at St. Mary's College in Perry County, Mo. When twelve years of age he secured a position in the office of the Circuit Clerk and when fifteen years of age was appointed Deputy Circuit Clerk of Cape Girardeau County which he held for a number of years, after which he read law with his brother Johnson Ranney. Was admitted to the bar about 1840. First located at New Madrid, Mo., remaining there about a year. He then located at Benton, Mo., remaining there about two years,

when his brother Johnson offered him a partnership which he accepted, holding it until his brother's death in 1848. Continued his practice of his profession, attending all Courts in Southeast Missouri, going from one County to another on horseback, then almost the only means of travel here, until the establishment of the Cape Girardeau Court of Common Pleas of Cape Girardeau County, by act of the Legislature of 1852 when he was named as the first Judge and which office he continued to hold by successive election until the outbreak of the Civil War.

His first vote was cast with the Whig party and his last before hostilities began between the States was cast for Bell and Everett. He was strenuously opposed to secession, but after being robbed of his property and imprisoned in the dark cellar of the Court House in which he had presided, by the party with which he affiliated, he joined the Democratic party, and as such was elected in 1871 to the State Senate to fill a vacancy caused by the death of Senator George H. Green, making the race against two Democrats and one Republican, and winning out by a good majority.

After the expiration of his term in the Senate his friends insisted on his becoming a candidate for Representative and to this he was elected and served one term. He was made a member of St. Mark's Lodge, F. A. M. in 1848. He died Feb. 28, 1898, Cape Girardeau, Mo. She d. Jan. 9, 1900.

*Children:*

Stephen, b. Oct. 4, 1847, after attending the local school was for four years a student of the Kentucky Military Institute. In 1871 became a civil engineer in the employ of the Illinois Central R. R. Co., whereby he contracted the ague resulting in a cold which caused his death Feb. 27, 1875.

230 Robert Giboney, b. Dec. 15, 1849.

231 William Alexander, b. Dec. 23, 1852.

232 Herbert Hathorne, b. Nov. 14, 1855.

106 John Hathorne<sup>6</sup> Ranney (Stephen<sup>5</sup>, Jeremiah<sup>4</sup>, Thomas<sup>3</sup>, Thomas<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>), b. Feb. 5, 1818, Charleston, Ind.; m. Mar. 25, 1847, Benton, Mo., Clarissa Waters, b. Nov. 12, 1831, Tywapity Bottoms, Mo., dau. of John Waters and Laura Ann Spear. She d. Mar. 8, 1848, Benton, Mo.; m. (2) Aug. 8, 1850, Caroline Wall, b. Apr. 15, 1821, Cape Girardeau, Mo.; d. May 20, 1902, Commerce, Mo. At the age of seven his father removed to Jackson, Mo. From the age of nine on his father's death he lived with his brother, Col. Johnson Ranney, and learned the trade of a tan-

ner at the "Old Tan Yard" near Jackson. When he reached his majority he started a tan yard. In a few years he removed to a farm near Kelso, but at the outbreak of the Civil War he removed his family for safety to Jackson, returning to the farm in 1865, where he remained till death. He was a man of firmness and character, with many virtues. Returning with a friend one night from a cider mill, they saw some ghosts in the cemetery. His companion fled. He walked up to the ghost and as he raised a bottle of cider to strike the ghost cried out, "Don't strike, John, Don't Strike."

At the outbreak of the Civil War a gang of outlaws went to his house to murder him. One ball grazed his scalp. He grabbed an axe and charged the gang and put them to flight. On one occasion a candidate for office seeking his support said to him, "Mr. Ranney, you have known me all my life," And the answer was, "Yes, and that is the reason I won't vote for you." He d. Jan. 14, 1884, Kelso, Mo.

*Child by 1st marriage:*

John Hathorne, b.———, 1848; d. 1869.

*Children by 2d marriage:*

233 Clarissa Waters, b.———, 1850; m. Joseph T. Anderson.

234 Amelia, b. Sept. 10, 1852, m. Reese G. Applegate.

235 Caroline Wall, b. Oct. 13, 1854; m. Wm. McKnight.

236 James Parham, b. Feb. 17, 1857.  
Elizabeth, b.———; d. infancy.  
Charles, b.———; d. infancy.  
David, b.———; d. young.

107 Polly<sup>6</sup> Ranney (Julius<sup>5</sup>, Jeremiah<sup>4</sup>, Thomas<sup>3</sup>, Thomas<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>), b. Sept. 14, 1790, Bethlehem, Conn.; m. Jan., 1809, Bethlehem, Conn., Iram Hawes, b. Sept. 20, 1786; d. Oct. 20, 1869, Cleveland, O.; Rep.; Presby.; farmer in Danby, N. Y. till 1836, when he rem. to Chester, O.; rem. 1860 to Cleveland. She d. Feb. 14, 1859, Chester, O.

*Children:*

Marietta, b. Jan. 14, 1810; m. Daniel Ennis.

Isaac, b. Sept. 24, 1811; d. Dec. 21, 1811.

Hannah, b. Oct. 5, 1812; m. Edward Kingman.

Jerusha, b. July 28, 1814; m. John Packard.

Cornelia, b. Nov. 6, 1816; d. July 30, 1838.

Oliver, b. Jan. 20, 1819; m. Sarah Bassett.



Susan, b. Feb. 20, 1822; d. 1901; m. Geo. W. Lynde.

Polly, b. Feb. 23, 1827; d. Feb. 14, 1859; m. Wm. Backus.

237 Harriet Palmer, b. June 27, 1832; m. James T. Wilson.

108 Lucy<sup>6</sup> Ranney (Julius<sup>5</sup>, Jeremiah<sup>4</sup>, Thomas<sup>3</sup>, Thomas<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>), b. July 19, 1794, Warren, Conn.; m. Dec. 22, 1811, Warren, Conn., Rev. Urban<sup>7</sup> Palmer (Ezekiel<sup>6</sup>, Samuel<sup>5</sup>, Samuel<sup>4</sup>, Samuel<sup>3</sup>, Jonas<sup>2</sup>, Walter<sup>1</sup>), b. July 7, 1787, Kent, Conn. He entered the ministry and settled in Danby, New York, in 1812. Went to Western Reserve, O., for the Society of Evangelization, finally settled in Chester, O., where he d. Nov. 3, 1847. She d. Nov. 16, 1838. (See Palmer Groups).

*Children:*

Chester, b. Dec. 13, 1812; m. Apr. 15, 1835, Achsah Smith Melvin; 5th child was Lowell Mason, b. Mar. 11, 1845, P. O. address, 184 Front St., N. Y. City, compiler of "Palmer Groups."

Harriet, b. May 10, 1815; d. June 23, 1831.

Jerusha, b. Feb. 2, 1818; d. Oct. 10, 1819.

Chalmers, b. Oct. 12, 1821; d. July 16, 1826.

Julius Ranney, b. Feb. 11, 1827; d. Feb. 25, 1830.

Julius Chalmers, b. July 9, 1829; d. Feb. 25, 1830.

Emeline, b. Apr. 10, 1831; d. May 12, 1832.

Edward Payson, b. Sept. 16, 1833; m. Delia Green.

109 Oliver<sup>6</sup> Ranney (Julius<sup>5</sup>, Jeremiah<sup>4</sup>, Thomas<sup>3</sup>, Thomas<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>), b. September 16, 1796, Bethlehem, Conn.; m. Sept. 7, 1820, Chester, O., Lynda Adams, b. May 23, 1800, Genoa, N. Y.; d. Oct. 7, 1887, Chester, O., dau. of Samuel Adams and Amy Bosworth. Rep.; Presby.; farmer. He rem. 1819 to Chester, O., where he died Sept. 19, 1876. The following was printed at the time of his death:

"Died at Mulberry Corners, Geauga County, Ohio, Sept. 14, 1876, Mr. OLIVER RANNEY, in the 80th year of his life, leaving a widowed companion, with whom he had walked in loving and helpful companionship for fifty-six years; leaving also one son and two daughters, having gathered them about his bed to receive his dying and Christian benediction; leaving also grandchildren, who now will have to say, 'We had a grandfather who feared God for many years, and who, dying, asked us all to meet him in heaven'; leaving also a community in which, for a period of 58 years, he has been an upright, worthy and leading citizen, now

bereft of another of its pioneers; leaving a church to mourn him, with whose interests he has, for forty-four years, been identified."

*Children:*

- Emily Adams, b. Jan. 29, 1824; m. Feb. 2, 1842, Elihu Oliver Lyman, b. June 12, 1817; d. Apr. 7, 1882. She d. Apr. 19, 1901. *Children:* Flora Emily, Thomas Stow Ranney, Frances Melissa, Frances Eliza, Tertius Cornelius, Ernest Chalmers, Elmer Morris, Clara Theresa, Elsie Ada, Alice Louisa, Elgin Osmer, Celia Allen.
- 238 Julius Butler, b. June 5, 1831.  
Jerusha Alice, b. Mar. 18, 1840; unm. Res. Chesterland O.

110 Thomas Stow<sup>6</sup> Ranney (Julius<sup>5</sup>, Jeremiah<sup>4</sup>, Thomas<sup>3</sup>, Thomas<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>), b. Aug. 22, 1802, Bethlehem, Conn.; m. (1) Aug. 23, 1827, Maria Gager, b. Oct. 5, 1808; d. Rangoon, India, 1857; m. (2) Dec. 14, 1858, Mrs. Mary E. Whittaker, b. Nov. 1, 1829, Calcutta, India; widow of Rev. Daniel Whittaker and daughter of Rev. Cephas Bennett and Stella Kneeland. He d. May 13, 1886, Homer, N. Y. Widow d. 1906. His portrait at eighty-two years of age is given herewith. His obituary as printed by his pastor follows:

"Thomas Stow Ranney was born in Bethlehem, Conn., August 22, 1801. His mother was a widow at the time of his birth, his father having died about six months previous. His mother was left with small means, and the support of her babe and other dependent children fell heavily upon her lone hands. Being a woman of health and energy, she sought a western home, and purchased a piece of land in the then wilderness woods of Danby, Tompkins County, N. Y. Of early childhood Mr. Ranney always spoke tenderly. By the industry and economy of his mother, poverty was kept from the home, and early childhood with him was a happy period. While the early Christian instructions of his mother made a deep impression upon his life and character, and had much to do in making him the man he was, it was not till many years after, as a man in married life, about forty years of age, that he gave personal attention to religion and accepted Christ as a personal Saviour. At fifteen years of age he was apprenticed to learn the printer's trade, his term of apprenticeship closing on his twenty-first birthday. Not very long after he became foreman of the Albany *Argus*, which position he occupied about ten years, and this brought him into associations with the leading statesmen and politicians of the day—DeWitt Clinton, Martin

VanBuren, Ex-Governor Marcy and others of those times. On leaving the *Argus*, Mr. Ranney assisted in establishing the *Dutchess Republican* in Poughkeepsie, N. Y. In these positions he became very familiar with political thought, as well as the political tricks of the times. The *Dutchess Republican* was afterwards united with the Poughkeepsie *Eagle*, of which Mr. Isaac Platt was editor, with whom Mr. Ranney sustained a partnership most happily for ten years, and an intimate and cordial acquaintance up to the time of Mr. Platt's death, which occurred in 1872.

"It was in Poughkeepsie, in the year 1840, that Mr. Ranney was converted, and both himself and wife were buried with Christ in baptism by Mr. Dickinson, and united with the Baptist Church. This most literally opened a new life to him and surrounded him with new influences. He himself says: 'My past political life became more and more distasteful.' Two years later, an offer coming from the American Baptist Missionary Union to go as a printer to Burmah in charge of the society's press, he accepted the offer, sailing in November, 1843. Arrived in Burmah, the first two weeks were spent in the home of Dr. Judson, the great pioneer missionary of the Baptist denomination; and a few years later, in the providence of God, it was appointed Mr. Ranney to attend Dr. Judson during his last sickness, and bury him in the ocean.

"Mrs. Ranney's failing health required a visit to this country, during which time the Board thought it best to recall Mr. Ranney, intending when his wife should return to send him to Assam; but he, not understanding the object of the recall, decided to resign his connection with the Missionary Union, and upon doing so went to Rangoon, where he engaged in a private enterprise doing government and job printing. Here he met with financial success, and after a few years disposed of his office and business to the Missionary Union and returned to America to spend his remaining years.

"For twenty-four years he has been a resident of Homer and a member of the Homer Baptist Church. He has been twice married. The first Mrs. Ranney having died soon after her return to Burmah, in due time he married Mrs. Mary E. Whitaker, daughter of the lately deceased Rev. Cephas Bennett, missionary printer, who succeeded him in the mission press at Rangoon.

"As a citizen Mr. Ranney identified himself with whatever advanced and improved the interests of our village. His counsel was sought and his presence welcomed in all councils. He was a faithful Christian, ready to bear his share of the burdens of the church, of which he was a member. Besides his neighbors and brethren in the church, who all sincerely mourn his loss, he leaves

a wife and two daughters. Ripe in years and rich in experience, Thomas Stow Ranney has passed over the river, and 'his works do follow.'"

111 William<sup>6</sup> Ranney (William<sup>5</sup>, Thomas<sup>4</sup>, Thomas<sup>3</sup>, Thomas<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>), b. June 5, 1784, Westminster West, Vt.; m. June 28, 1810, Elizabeth Wells, b.———; d. Mar. 28, 1874, Brookline, Vt.; farmer, Cong.; d. Dec. 16, 1863, Brookline, Vt.

*Children:*

- 239 Joel, b. Mar. 15, 1811.  
 240 Rebecca, b. May 19, 1813; m. Jeremiah L. Perham. Orange, b. May 15, 1817; d. Dec. 15, 1832.  
 241 Achsah, b. Dec. 30, 1820; d. Mar. 10, 1861; m. Daniel Whitney.  
     Fanny, b. Mar. 7, 1824; d. Nov. 18, 1841.  
     Elizabeth, b. Mar. 15, 1826; d. Oct. 2, 1831.  
 242 Hannah, b. July 18, 1830; m. John Lamphear.

112 Stephen<sup>6</sup> Ranney (William<sup>5</sup>, Thomas<sup>4</sup>, Thomas<sup>3</sup>, Thomas<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>), b. Apr. 28, 1793, Westminster West, Vt.; m. Apr. 7, 1814, Salley S. Chandler, b. Oct. 23, 1793, Westminster; d. Feb. 19, 1864, dau. of Thomas Dow Chandler and Sarah Goold. Farmer; Cong.; Rep.; d. Sept. 5, 1871, Westminster West.

*Children:*

- 243 Stephen Chandler, b. Jan. 29, 1815.  
 244 Amaziah Thomas, b. Apr. 10, 1817.  
 245 Wm. Erastus, b. Mar. 18, 1819.  
 246 Otis Lorenzo, b. July 16, 1821.  
 247 Lorin Little, b. Sept. 26, 1823.  
     Lydia Rosetta, b. Jan. 27, 1826; d. unm. Aug. 19, 1851.  
     Sarah Maria, b. July 27, 1828; d. unm. Sept. 19, 1844.  
     Eliza Serena, b. Mar. 29, 1831; d. unm. Dec. 28, 1902.

113 Ephraim<sup>6</sup> Ranney (Ephraim<sup>5</sup>, Ephraim<sup>4</sup>, Thomas<sup>3</sup>, Thomas<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>), b. Westminster West, Vt.; d. June 3, 1826, Westminster West; m. Mercy Clark; widow rem. to Coventry, Vt., where she d. Jan. 29, 1848.

*Children:*

- Clark, b. Nov. 15, 1801; m. Apr. 15, 1825, Orpha Miller and rem. 1827 to West Victory, Vt., said to have rem. later to California.  
 Elmerina, b. Aug. 6, 1804; d. Jan. 29, 1805.

- 248 Freeman, b. May 11, 1806.  
 249 Sullivan, b. Nov. 23, 1808.  
 249a Ephraim Fessenden, b. June 8, 1820.

114 Lydia<sup>6</sup> Ranney (Ephraim<sup>5</sup>, Ephraim<sup>4</sup>, Thomas<sup>3</sup>, Thomas<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>), b. Sept. 28, 1772, Westminster West, Vt.; d. July 20, 1859; m. Dea. Ebenezer Goodhue, son of a clergyman. Of their

*Children:*

- Rhoda, b. ———; m. (1) Alfred Ranney; (2) Samuel Ranney.  
 Elizabeth, b. ———; m. Elijah Bradford Ranney.

115 Rebecca<sup>6</sup> Ranney (Ephraim<sup>5</sup>, Ephraim<sup>4</sup>, Thomas<sup>3</sup>, Thomas<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>), b. Dec. 27, 1777; d. Aug., 1841; m. Jan. 20, 1799, Gideon Warner.

*Children:*

- Eugene, b. ———.  
 Narcissa, b. ———; m. Russell Ranney.  
 Octavia, b. ———; m. Newman Perry.

116 Calvin<sup>6</sup> Ranney (Ephraim<sup>5</sup>, Ephraim<sup>4</sup>, Thomas<sup>3</sup>, Thomas<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>), b. Nov. 25, 1784, Westminster West, Vt.; m. Anna Root. Rem. late in life to Algona, Iowa, to live with a daughter where he d. Oct. 7, 1873. She d. Aug. 2, 1870, Westminster West.

*Children:*

- 250 Helyann, b. Jan. 28, 1805; m. (1) Geo. W. Holland; m. (2) W. Crowell.  
 Fanny Root, b. Feb. 5, 1807; d. 1812.  
 251 Rhoda Harlow, b. Mar. 29, 1809; m. Benjamin Clark.  
 Charles, b. May 18, 1824; m. Maria Stearns of Danville, Vt. and d. June 9, 1862.

117 Hiram<sup>6</sup> Ranney (Ephraim<sup>5</sup>, Ephraim<sup>4</sup>, Thomas<sup>3</sup>, Thomas<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>), b. June 4, 1792, Westminster West, Vt.; m. Jan. 27, 1819, Lydia Chase, who lived to be a centenarian and was of the Chase family of the *Mayflower*. The young couple began the dairy farm life and sent the butter and cheese of 25 cows to the Boston market. Having signed notes to accommodate a friend he lost most of his property. Setting out in a covered wagon they went in Oct. 1834, to Oxford County, Lower Canada, and settled at Hagel's Corners. She was employed to teach, having gone on horseback through the woods to St. Thomas, where she

was examined and authorized to teach. A log house was erected and she began with 60 pupils, some of whom were young men over 21. She was the first teacher in that county. It was not long before Mr. Ranney had 700 acres in one tract. She survived her husband. A Salford *Globe* paper, not dated, contained her portrait at 100 years and gave the following:

"Mrs. Ranney has been a widow for the past thirty years and has outlived all her children. Her grandchildren still living are: Sullivan P. Ranney of Salford, Judson Harris of Ingersoll, Rev. E. J. Harris, B.A., of Toronto, Mrs. Wm. Craig of Toronto, Mrs. (Prof.) S. J. McKee of Brandon College and Mrs. (Rev.) G. B. Davis of Hagersville.

"Mrs. Ranney has been a reader of *The Globe* since the days of the Hon. George Brown, whom she had the privilege of entertaining in her own home."

118 Grant Willis<sup>6</sup> Ranney (Ephraim<sup>5</sup>, Ephraim<sup>4</sup>, Thomas<sup>3</sup>, Thomas<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>), b. Mar. 25, 1804, Westminster West, Vt.; d. June 14, 1871, Westminster West; m. May 23, 1805, Anna Matilda Campbell, b. May 23, 1805; d. Mar. 1891; dau. of Edward R. Campbell and Anna Norton.

*Children:*

252 Peyton, b. Nov. 29, 1826.

253 Mary Ann, b. July 20, 1828; m. Wm. B. Cutting.

Homer, b. Apr. 17, 1834; d. May, 1835.

Rhoda, b. Dec. 4, 1836; d. Aug. 21, 1862; m. Judge Henry

S. Severance, succeeding Judge Wm. H. Taft.

Alfred Homer, b. Aug. 22, 1843, res. Kalamazoo, Mich.

119 Elijah<sup>6</sup> Ranney (Elijah<sup>5</sup>, Ephraim<sup>4</sup>, Thomas<sup>3</sup>, Thomas<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>), b. Sept. 15, 1773, Westminster West, Vt.; m. Nov. 10, 1791, Lydia Crawford, dau. of James Crawford and Grace Carpenter, "a woman of great mental and physical energy." James Crawford was a soldier of the Revolution. At sundown he heard of the battle of Lexington. Before sunrise he had started to join the gathering forces, leaving a son of 9 years with the wife to clear the burnt field and sow the grain. In the autumn he obtained a few weeks on furlough to gather in the crops. When that son was 90 years of age he would say, "I chopped the wood and drove the steers, mother helped to load and we kept warm all winter."



EBENEZER GOODHUE.

ELIJAH CRAWFORD.

HENRY EUGENE.

SONS OF SAMUEL RANNEY.

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ALL THE CHILDREN OF ELLIOTT RANNEY (See page 247)

George

Elizabeth

Lillian  
Fredda  
Lillian

Fanny

Samuel

David

Headford



Like his father and grandfather, Elijah Ranney, Jr. was a deacon. It was written by the Rev. A. Stevens of him and of Ebenezer Goodhue, a grandson of Deacon Ephraim<sup>4</sup>, "the former was slow in his plans and execution, the latter was hasty; both were good, determined men and did not easily give up a measure they had attempted to carry. The Scotchman's prayer was appropriate for them both: 'O Lord, keep me right, for thou knowest I cannot change.'" Dr. Stevens on his 40th anniversary as pastor at Westminster West, Feb. 22, 1883, said: "In the body pews at the right sat Deacon Ebenezer Goodhue, then Joseph Ranney, Esq., Deacon Elijah Ranney, Calvin Ranney, Elisha Berry, Sr., and Jr., and Edward Campbell." Dr. Stevens married Mary Ann Arnold, dau. of Seth Shailer Arnold and granddaughter of Esther<sup>5</sup> Ranney. Their twelve children were alive when, the youngest being over 50, all sat for their portraits which through Dr. Mark Ranney were placed together in one group as they are seen in this book.

*Children:*

- 254 Samuel, b. Nov. 8, 1792.  
 255 Alfred, b. Dec. 29, 1794.  
     Elizabeth, b. Mar. 11, 1797; m. Dea. Asahel Goodell.  
 256 Fanny, b. Sept. 12, 1799; m. Dea. Edward Hallett.  
 257 Russell, b. Feb. 20, 1802.  
 258 Mark, b. Apr. 17, 1804.  
 259 Lydia, b. May 10, 1806; m. Frederick Goodell.  
 260 Elijah Bradford, b. Aug. 4, 1808.  
 261 Lyman Crawford, b. Sept. 22, 1810.  
 262 George, b. Feb. 7, 1813.  
     Charles, b. Aug. 20, 1816; m. Jane Gorham, b. Oct. 26,  
     1818; d. Aug. 23, 1872, dau. of Isaac Gorham and Re-  
     becca Hall. Farmer; Rep.; Cong. Rem. to St. Johns-  
     bury, Vt. where he d. Feb. 26, 1899. No children.

120 Joseph<sup>6</sup> Ranney (Elijah<sup>5</sup>, Ephraim<sup>4</sup>, Thomas<sup>3</sup>, Thomas<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>), b. Dec. 25, 1779, Westminster West, Vt.; m. (1) May 8, 1800, Mercy<sup>6</sup> Hamblen, b. Oct. 27, 1781, Yarmouth, Mass.; d. Feb. 13, 1812, Westminster West, dau. of Joseph<sup>5</sup> Hamblen, (———<sup>4</sup>, Isaac<sup>3</sup>, Eleazar<sup>2</sup>, James<sup>1</sup>) and Susan Hedge; m. (2) Mar. 11, 1813, Tryphena Hitchcock, b. May 28, 1779, Westminster; d. Sept. 19, 1823, aged 34 years, dau. of Heli Hitchcock of Brimfield, Mass., and Tryphena Goodell. (The father of Joseph<sup>6</sup>, Deacon Elijah<sup>5</sup>, married (2) the widow of Heli Hitchcock and so became stepfather to his own son. A son of Joseph remembered harnessing the horse of his grandfather, Elijah<sup>5</sup>, to go courting his

maternal grandmother); m. (3) Mar. 11, 1824, Westminster West, Mrs. Priscilla Farnham Arnold, b. Oct. 26, 1789, widow of Ambrose Arnold and adopted daughter of Joel<sup>5</sup> Ranney and Rebecca Hall.

Joseph<sup>6</sup> Ranney d. Mar. 1, 1845. He was of almost giant stature and strength, holding his three-year-old daughter on his open hand with his arm straightened before him. He was an original member of the militia company commanded by Capt. Ephraim Ranney, Jr. His son, Henry Porteus, resides on the farm cleared by Elijah<sup>5</sup>.

*Children by 1st marriage:*

- Matilda, b. Sept. 28, 1801; d. Nov. 22, 1804.  
 263 Aretas, b. Nov. 14, 1803.  
 264 Philetus, b. Jan. 8, 1806.  
 Matilda, b. May 20, 1808; d. unm. July 18, 1824.  
 265 Ira Patterson, b. Oct. 3, 1810.

*Children by 2d marriage:*

- Joseph Root, b. Dec. 17, 1813; d. Aug. 1816.  
 266 Timothy Emerson, b. Jan. 17, 1815.  
 267 Joseph Addison, b. Feb. 17, 1817.  
 Infant, b. Sept. 5, 1818; d. Nov. 5, 1818.  
 Heli Hitchcock, b. Sept. 5, 1819; d. Dec. 6, 1819.  
 Samuel Root, b. Oct. 12, 1820; d. Feb. 24, 1821.  
 Harvey, b. Nov. 26, 1821; d. Jan. 4, 1826.

*Children by 3d marriage:*

- 268 Joel Arnold, b. Dec. 9, 1824.  
 269 Rollin Wallace, b. Nov. 29, 1826.  
 270 Henry Porteus, b. Jan. 30, 1829.  
 Rebecca Priscilla, b. Jan. 21, 1833; d. Apr. 18, 1844.

121 Elizabeth<sup>6</sup> Ranney (Elijah<sup>5</sup>, Ephraim<sup>4</sup>, Thomas<sup>3</sup>, Thomas<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>), b. ———, Westminster West; d. ———; m. Levi Harlow, son of Eleazar Harlow of Taunton, Mass., who, at age of 20, in 1758, rem. to help settle Westminster and m. Rhoda Alexander of Northfield, Mass.

*Children.*

- Eleazar, b. June 18, 1797; m. Ruth Owen  
 Achsahlana, b. June 13, 1799; m. (1) Barnabas Clark; (2)  
 Elijah Clark.  
 Roxalana, b. June 13, 1799; m. Jesse Button.

122 Daniel<sup>6</sup> Ranney (Daniel<sup>5</sup>, Ephraim<sup>4</sup>, Thomas<sup>3</sup>, Thomas<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>), b. Apr. 14, 1781, Chester, Vt.; m. Aug. 2, 1802, Stockbridge, Vt., Martha Holland, b. June 11, 1783. He was a mem. of the Legislature.

*Children:*

- 271 Roswell, b. Sept. 17, 1804.  
 Sarah, b. Dec. 9, 1806; m. Dec. 15, 1830, David Avery,  
 b. Oct. 22, 1801. *Children:*  
 Silas, b. May 17, 1832.  
 Sarah Ranney, b. Oct. 4, 1842. ———
- 272 Daniel Holland, b. Sept. 26, 1808.  
 273 Silas, b. Feb. 21, 1810.  
 274 Reuben, b. Oct. 31, 1811.  
 Moses, b. Nov. 1, 1813; d. July 19, 1843; m. June 27, 1843,  
 New York, Sarah Rogers.  
 275 Martha Gile, b. Aug. 25, 1816; m. Africa Davis.  
 276 Lucinda Holland, b. Feb. 19, 1819; m. Chas. A. Thomas.  
 277 Jonathan Holland, b. June 2, 1822.  
 278 Joel, b. June 4, 1825.

123 Moses<sup>6</sup> Ranney (Daniel<sup>5</sup>, Ephraim<sup>4</sup>, Thomas<sup>3</sup>, Thomas<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>), b. Mar. 28, 1783, Chester, Vt.; m. Nov. 11, 1813, Bridgewater, Vt., Prudentia Wood Osborn, b. Mar. 27, 1793, Ware, Mass.; d. Jan. 10, 1864, the sixth child of John Osborn of Woburn, Mass., and Elizabeth Clark. He d. Apr. 12, 1858. She d. ———.

*Child:*

- 279 Moses Harris, b. Aug. 16, 1814.

124 Mary<sup>6</sup> Ranney (Daniel<sup>5</sup>, Ephraim<sup>4</sup>, Thomas<sup>3</sup>, Thomas<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>), b. July 26, 1791, Stockbridge, Vt.; m. 1810, Stockbridge, Vt., Jonathan Holland, b. 1785; d. Aug. 29, 1841, Stockbridge, son of Reuben Holland and Joan Cobb. He served in War of 1812, farmer; Univ. Ch. She d. mem. Cong. Ch. and d. Sept. 1, 1878, Stockbridge, Vt.

*Children:*

- Mary, b. 1811; m. Enos Chandler.  
 Eunice, b. 1813; m. Thomas Hunt.  
 Patty, b. 1817; m. Joseph Howe.
- 280 Sarah, b. 1821; m. Nathan Davis.  
 281 Lucy, b. July 3, 1825; m. Chas. Luther.  
 282 Jonathan J., b. 1829.

125 Joel<sup>6</sup> Ranney (Daniel<sup>5</sup>, Ephraim<sup>4</sup>, Thomas<sup>3</sup>, Thomas<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>), b. May 9, 1805, Stockbridge, Vt.; m. Nov. 8, 1826, Rochester, Vt., Elizabeth T. Morse, b. 1800; d. July 18, 1858, Metamora, Ill., dau. of Capt. Parker Morse who rem. 1835, to Ill. Joel<sup>6</sup> rem. 1838, to Metamora, Ill., Dea. of Cong. Ch.; active in temperance matters, strongly anti-slavery, a man of ability and aggressiveness, d. Jan. 13, 1848, Metamora, Ill.

*Children:*

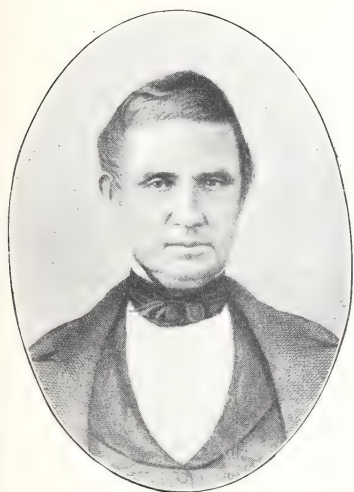
283 Esther Jane, b. July 27, 1829; m. Alvin Packard.

284 Joel Alden, b. Oct. 18, 1831.

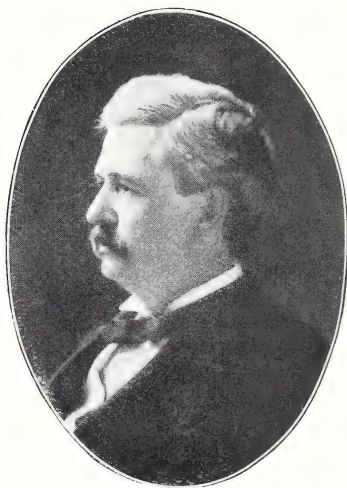
Elizabeth Ellen, b. Oct. 18, 1831; d. May 31, 1832.

126 Waitstill Randolph<sup>6</sup> Ranney (Waitstill<sup>5</sup>, Ephraim<sup>4</sup>, Thomas<sup>3</sup>, Thomas<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>), b. May 23, 1791, Chester, Vt.; d. Aug. 23, 1853, West Townsend, Vt.; m. (1)———, 1811, Chester, Vt., Phebe Atwood, b. Nov. 28, 1789, Chester, Vt.; d. July 7, 1844, dau. of Jeremiah Atwood and Zilpha Willard; m. (2) Apr. 29, 1846, Mrs. Mary A. Cook.

Waitstill Randolph Ranney, second child of Waitstill Ranney, was born in the village of Chester, Vt. His father removed to a 1000 acre farm, 3 miles from the village, and the two boys walked this distance to school for 12 weeks of the winter; yet at 16 years of age they were teachers. As a scholar he always excelled his classmates and showed at a very early age a strong desire for learning. He often told of passing Harvard College when a boy, driving to market some swine, and of seeing students in those enchanted grounds. A man of learning and of influence seemed to his young heart to be as much above the common herd as he above his drove, little thinking he was ever to stand on that high ground. But in after life he felt that his early training, its hardships, its self-denials, and even its temptations, helped form whatever was worthy in his character. At sixteen years of age his father took him to Charleston, N. H., to the Rev. M. Foster's High School, knowing but little of the time or money fully needed to educate him through a term of years. A literary course began, and with it a seriousness from twelve to fourteen hours a day. Instead of needing three years in preparation he had in one year mastered six books of Aeneid, four Orations of Cicero, and the four Evangelists in Greek. By an accident he was prevented from entering in the fall, but taught through the winter, and in the spring entered Middlebury College with the class of the former year. Leaving college at nineteen he taught for some months in the academy at Malone, N. Y., and returned to his Chester home



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where at the age of twenty he married Phebe Atwood. He studied medicine at Dartmouth College and then settled in West Townshend where at the age of twenty-two in 1814 he commenced the practice of his profession, and often remarked: "If I could live a hundred lives I would be a physician every time." In an address before Woodstock Medical College he said: "But there are men in the practice of medicine who stand unmoved by trials or temptations of gain—men of sensitive minds and conscientious hearts, who, as Philosophers and Philanthropists are an honor to their profession and the world, who are willing to sacrifice ease and comfort for the drudgery of professional life; who live to alleviate the sufferings of the distressed; to heal where it is possible; to support the dying head; to wipe from the brow the gathering damps of death, pointing the departing spirit to the painless realms above." Again: "Though Heaven and earth attest to his faithfulness and skill, yet upon him rests the responsibility to the patient—to the friends, and to God." In poverty and strong competition for eight years he struggled on with a family of children now numbering seven, relying alone on the income of his profession for support. The riding over those high hills and long roads, through rain and hail, and drifting snows, with no conveyance for the journey but a horse's back, and all with the miserable pittance then meted out for such services, might have made the stoutest heart quail. Yet, with an endurance seldom equalled, and a frugality, at this day hardly known, he supported his rapidly increasing family, and even laid by something for future investments.

In 1822 he purchased a farm half a mile from the village and connected agricultural pursuits with professional duties. The indebtedness on the farm was paid; the nine sons were all well educated in the public schools; seven of them were prepared to enter the learned professions; four of them were sent to be collegiately instructed. In 1837 the farm was relinquished to a son and he removed to the center of the village of the town near the academy. His wife after a long illness from cancer died, July 6, 1844, and in 1846 he married Mrs. Mary A. Cook. In 1849 his health began to fail. In his sixty-third year he was gathered in, fully ripe for the harvest, clearly sensible of his condition, and all things made ready. Conspicuous in his death as in life; strong in faith; calm in his trust; childlike in his simplicity.

He was interested in every philanthropic enterprise, active in the town, the church and the State. He was a member of a Constitutional convention, of the house of the General Assembly,

three years in the State Senate, for two years Lieut.-Governor of the State, and came within one vote of being elected U. S. Senator. He presided on the summit of the Green Mountains when Daniel Webster gathered his many thousands to that wildness, to urge them to save their country from corruption and disunion. He often lectured before literary institutions, agricultural and medical societies. As a statesman, he was far above all wire-pulling or office seeking. No enemy ever dared to assert that any corruption or bribery was ever practiced on him. Far removed from any similar purpose, he was selected and voted for by those who knew his abilities, and needed his services. The Legislative body that passed an act to appropriate the national surplus revenue to the use of Common Schools well remember his remarks on that occasion, it being an extra session. Many a scheme had been devised to turn these funds to internal improvement, banking purposes, etc., and the speakers were ready to urge through their plans, but they were all thwarted, and their schemes so effectually exposed, that no answer was made, and an adjournment as a compliment to the speaker was immediately carried.

He was a man of wonderful physical vigor and endurance; he had a mind of a capacity far above the ordinary standard; his application and achievement in the varied departments of life, under all his embarrassments were almost incredible. As a Christian statesman he was a model politician; as a citizen he was upright, and a man of great usefulness; as a husband and father, devoted in his attachments, impartial in all his acts, and worthy of the highest love. As a Christian, consistent, active, faithful, prayerful, living his religion and dying in its full enjoyment. (The above is principally from "Lives of Eminent Americans.")

The compiler of this work has in his possession a private letter written Sept. 1, 1879, by a son of Dr. Ranney to a distant cousin of whom he had till then not heard, the Rev. Timothy Emerson Ranney, from which the following is taken: "My father, considering his humble birth and limited opportunities in an obscure place, was a man of marked ability. He combined all the traits of character which make one a master of the situation. Of commanding affection, good address he was one to whom the world looked up as a leader in the affairs of town, church and State. As a physician he was an authority, as a successful financier in a small way he never had a peer. The rearing of thirteen children to manhood with no bad habits and with good education for those days at an expense of from eight to ten thousand dollars from a limited income and no capital to start with is a marvel the world now knows nothing of. As a politician he never resorted to chicanery, or irregu-



lar methods of vote buying. As an executor of trusts he never swerved an iota from the strict rules of right and justice. He was honored in town as a man of large ability, in every position in the family or church or as physician, and in the offices he filled as representative, Senator and Lieut.-Governor. His memory has left to his children a sweet savor. The thirteen children, all married, survived him for many years, had many reunions at the old homestead in West Townshend, and in Chester, the town of his birth. His children and grandchildren there rehearsed the scenes of childhood and cemented more closely the family tie.

There were nine sons, six of them physicians, one clergyman, one lawyer and one farmer. Most of them have been very successful in their business and esteemed as men. Five successful physicians in New York City, one a lawyer of large wealth, the brother clergyman graduating at Middlebury College, whom you knew, the other, one of the New York physicians whom you knew, had by successful practice accumulated quite a fortune. The sisters have all passed away. One married a lawyer after a successful career as teacher in Brooklyn, the other three married farmers, worthy men of means, respected and loved by all who knew them."

The first reunion of the children at the old homestead was on June 1, 1846, to celebrate the father's fifty-sixth birthday. Three were held in his lifetime. The eighth was held in Chester in 1866, for four days, and its record is in a pamphlet of forty-eight pages. In 1855 a volume of "Reminiscences" was published, containing many letters addressed by him to his children at various times and under varying circumstances. They reveal his inner manhood. It contains his addresses to his children and grandchildren at the reunions. The following is from the address of his oldest son on May 28, 1851, when 23 children and 18 grandchildren were present:

"We are all here!  
 Father, mother,  
 Sister, brother,  
 All who hold each other dear.  
 Each chair is filled, we're all at home.  
 It is not often that around  
 Our old familiar hearth we're found.  
 Bless thus the meeting and the spot,  
 For once be every care forgot;  
 Let gentle peace assert her power,  
 And kind affection rule the hour.  
 We're all, all here!"

*Children:*

- 285 Evander Willard, b. Nov. 1, 1811.  
 286 Darwin Harlow, b. Dec. 13, 1812.  
 287 Stella Laurenza, b. July 4, 1814.  
 288 Alfred Atwood, b. June 24, 1816.  
 289 Henry Davis, b. Oct. 31, 1817.  
 290 Lafayette, b. Aug. 16, 1819.  
 291 Ambrose Arnold, b. Apr. 16, 1821.  
 292 Stephen Eleazer, b. Sept. 17, 1822.  
 293 James Waitstill, b. Sept. 23, 1824.  
 294 Helen Louisa, b. Feb. 10, 1826.  
 295 Frances Sophia, b. Jan. 25, 1828.  
 296 Martin Luther, b. Jan. 20, 1830.  
 297 Mary Angeline, b. Aug. 20, 1832.

127 Rev. Seth Shailer<sup>6</sup> Arnold (Esther<sup>5</sup> Ranney, Ephraim<sup>4</sup>, Thomas<sup>3</sup>, Thomas<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>), b. Feb. 22, 1788, Westminster, Vt.; m. (1) Ann House of Hebron, Ct.; m. (2) Mrs. Mary Grout of Ackworth, N. H.; Grad. 1812, Middlebury Coll.; studied theology with Rev. Dr. Breckenridge in Washington, D. C., and Rev. Sylvester Sage in Westminster. Pastor in various places. d. Apr. 3, 1871, Ascutneyville, Vt.

*Children:*

- Olivia, b. ———; m. 1852, Newton Gage. She res. Ascutneyville, Vt.  
 Mary Ann, b. Nov. 16, 1817; m. 1846, Rev. Alfred Stevens, pastor at Westminster, Vt., for 40 years. Local historian. She d. 1857, he d. 1893.  
 Sophia, b. ———; d. while student at Mt. Holyoke Sem.  
 Caroline, b. 1827; m. 1850, Albert L. Waite.

128 Ambrose Tyler<sup>6</sup> Arnold (Esther<sup>5</sup> Ranney, Ephraim<sup>4</sup>, Thomas<sup>3</sup>, Thomas<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>), b. Nov. 19, 1790, Westminster, Vt.; d. Dec. 2, 1818, Westminster; m. Oct. 26, 1814, Priscilla Farnham, b. Oct. 26, 1789, Walpole, N. H.; d. Apr. 28, 1871, Westminster. She was the adopted daughter of Joel<sup>5</sup> Ranney and m. (2) Mar. 11, 1824, Joseph<sup>6</sup> Ranney as his 3d wife.

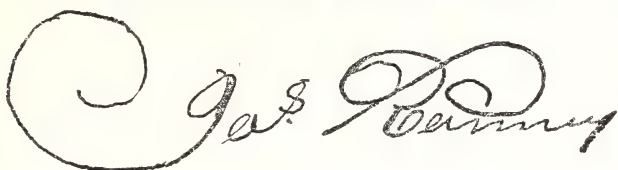
*Children:*

- 298 Ambrose, b. June 19, 1815.  
 299 Fenelon, b. Jan. 25, 1817.

129 Rev. Joel Ranney<sup>6</sup> Arnold (Esther<sup>5</sup> Ranney, Ephraim<sup>4</sup>, Thomas<sup>3</sup>, Thomas<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>), b. Apr. 25, 1794, Westminster, Vt.;

m. Julia Arnold. Grad. Middlebury Coll., studied medicine then theology with Rev. Sylvester Sage and his brother, Rev. Seth Shailer Arnold. Settled 14 years at Chester, N. H. and many years in Colchester, Conn. Eleven children.

130 James<sup>6</sup> Ranney (Janna<sup>5</sup>, Ephraim<sup>4</sup>, Thomas<sup>3</sup>, Thomas<sup>2</sup>,



Thomas<sup>1</sup>), b. Apr. 20, 1790, Westminster, Vt.; m. May 22, 1811, Rebecca Parker, b. June 30, 1790, Springfield, Vt.; d. June 17, 1833, Delaware, Ohio, dau. of Isaac Parker and Elizabeth Walker. Prof. of Languages; res. in Ohio; then in Ala; d. June, 1835, Claiborne, Ala.

*Children:*

- 300 Ralph Parker, b. Mar. 12, 1812.  
Lewis Phelps, b. July 10, 1814; d. Feb., 1817.
- 301 Lewis H., b. Oct. 18, 1817.
- 302 Isaac, b. Feb. 21, 1820.

130a George<sup>6</sup> Andrus (Sarah<sup>5</sup> Ranney, Willett<sup>4</sup>, Willett<sup>3</sup> Thomas<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>), b. Oct. 11, 1789; m. Aug. 16, 1810, Angelina Betts, dau. of Capt. Jesse Betts and Mary Jarvis of Norwalk, Ct. He was prominent in business life and had 12 children.

Almira<sup>7</sup>, b. Apr. 24, 1815; d. Sept. 6, 1897; m. Elihu Allen, b. Aug. 3, 1806, son of Joseph Allen and Prudence Earl, descendant of George Allen, who came, 1635, from Weymouth, Eng., to Massachusetts, and of Ralph Earl who in 1638 arrived at Newport, R. I. Following the trade of his father, he was for over 50 years "the village blacksmith." He d. July 16, 1886, Pierrepont Manor, N. Y. George<sup>8</sup> Allen, b. Mar. 1, 1840, attended the Zion Ch. School. R. R. clerk 1864-1891. Since then with Citizen's Nat. Bank, Adams, N. Y.

130b Delia Ann<sup>6</sup> Willis (Sybil<sup>5</sup> Ranney, Willett<sup>4</sup>, Willett<sup>3</sup>, Thomas<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>), b. 1793; d. 1860; m. Sept. 15, 1816, Adams, N. Y., William Hart, b. 1786, Clinton, N. Y., d. Nov. 6, 1834, son

of Amasa Hart and Phebe Roberts, who rem. from Bristol, Conn., to Clinton, N. Y.

*Children:*

James Munroe, b. July 29, 1817; d. unm. Aug. 14, 1896, Oswego, N. Y.

William Dwight, b. 1818; d. unm. 1898, Adams, N. Y.

George, b. ———; d. ———.

Henry, b. ———; d. ———, age 28.

Delia, b. 1828; d. Nov. 1859, Oswego, N. Y.; m. Naaman Hungerford.

302a John Jay, b. Mar. 13, 1831.

131 Willett Ranney<sup>6</sup> Willis (bro. to Delia Ann), b. Feb. 22, 1799, Cayuga, N. Y.; d. Jan. 27, 1877, Adams, N. Y.; m. May 19, 1829, West Schuylar, N. Y., Mary Burch b. Oct. 27, 1800; d. Sept. 2, 1882, dau. of Robert Burch and Polly Spaulding. He was a woolen manufacturer for over 50 years. Was a noted abolitionist co-operating with Gerritt Smith in conducting a station of the underground railroad to Canada, a Republican and Presbyterian.

*Children:*

Mary Sybil, b. Dec. 3, 1830; m. D. W. Hawley, res. Rochester, N. Y.

Elizabeth, b. July 20, 1832; d. May, 1903; m. Thomas Coughlan; dau. is Mrs. James W. Taylor, N. Y. City.

Robert Burch, b. Sept. 6, 1834; d. July 9, 1800.

Isaac Burch, b. Aug. 27, 1836; d. Jan. 8, 1889; m. Feb. 15, 1865, Brooklyn, N. Y., Agnes Rebecca Smith, b. Mar. 27, 1841, Stamford, Ct.; dau. of Joseph Smith and Caroline Elizabeth Lockwood. He was a merchant, F. & A. M., Rep., Epis. *Child:*

Ida Agnes, b. Oct. 2, 1869, New Rochelle, N. Y.; m. Oct. 30, 1895, Stamford, Ct., Frederick Werner, b. Aug. 2, 1854, Albany, N. Y.; lawyer, Rep., Presb.; res. Stamford, Ct.

303 Willett Ranney, b. Sept. 15, 1839.

Katherine, b. Jan. 20, 1842; m. G. W. Mackie, she res. Adams, N. Y.

132 Anson<sup>6</sup> Ranney (Willett<sup>5</sup>, Willett<sup>4</sup>, Willett<sup>3</sup>, Thomas<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>), b. Aug. 5, 1802; m. Sept. 13, 1832, Watertown, N. Y., Mary Ann Eliza Gasner, the adopted daughter of Olney Pearce,

the officiating clergyman being the Rev. George S. Boardman. His death occurred Mar. 31, 1859. She d. Mar. 31, 1852, aged 39 years. As Anson Ranney had injured himself in the woods when a boy his father determined to make a business man of him. From a sketch of him by Mr. Joseph Fayel in the *Watertown Daily Standard* of May 19, 1906, it is gathered that Anson was naturally a very quick and studious boy and was also fond of reading all books that he could buy or borrow. While he was suffering under his infirmities kind friends would bring him text books, and by studious application he became a good English scholar. He mastered the intricacies of higher mathematics without a teacher, and was a fine and rapid penman. He became a clerk in the store of Olney Pearce in Watertown, a very prominent merchant and public spirited citizen, marrying his adopted daughter and becoming his partner in the business, which was established at Theresa. There were then but a few scattering houses there and the ashes gathered from burning the timber in clearing lands was about the only commodity the people had to sell in exchange for store goods. The ashes were manufactured into potash, then a valuable article of commerce. Mr. Ranney had a literary turn of mind and spent his evenings in congenial pursuits. He was a worker in the Presbyterian Church and was of the Henry Clay stamp in politics, very liberal in church schools and public affairs. He was the pioneer in improving the power at the falls on Indian River. In 1834 he constructed a dam and in 1838 erected a large flouring mill.

*Children:*

- Ann Eliza, b. Aug. 18, 1834; d. Aug. 29, 1854, Lockport, N. Y.; m. May 19, 1853, Dr. Josiah Hammond Helmer, b. Jan. 23, 1821; d. Aug. 19, 1904, Theresa, N. Y. While a physician, he also engaged in railroad and m'fg enterprises. He rem. to Lockport in 1852, and was quite prominent in the church. *Child:*  
 Anna Florence, b. Apr. 27, 1854; m. Charles Lowery Snow, Res. Buffalo, N. Y. *Child:*  
 Helmer, b. Mar. 17, 1881. Res. Newark, N. J.  
 Willett, b. Mar. 1, 1836; d. May 2, 1840.  
 Edward Ferguson, b. Jan. 22, 1838; d. Apr. 18, 1839.  
 Edward Willett, b. July 31, 1840; d. Sept. 17, 1841.  
 Olney Pearce, b. Sept. 1, 1842; d. May 30, 1869; m. Nov. 10, 1864, Annie E. Fernald who res. Washington, D. C.  
 Philip, b. Oct. 23, 1845; d. June, 1905, N. Y. City. First Lieut. Co. K, 26th N. Y. Cav. Vols., mustered out at close of war; in lumber business in Lockport, N. Y.; Capt.

7th Separate Co. N. Y. S. N. G.; 1877 to Chicago; 1880-84 lumber business in St. Paul, later in gold mining.  
Anson, b. Oct. 1, 1847; d. Jan. 25, 1849.

133 John<sup>6</sup> Ranney (Willett<sup>5</sup>, Willett<sup>4</sup>, Willett<sup>3</sup>, Thomas<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>), b. Jan. 16, 1803, Rome, N. Y.; d. Aug., 1891, at the residence of his son, George, in Cannonsburg, Mich.; m. Mar. 29, 1827, Lovina Bristol, b. Aug. 18, 1805; d. Mar. 29, 1866. He was a farmer at Smithville, N. Y., then a pioneer in Greeley, Col.

*Children:*

- George, b. Aug. 26, 1828; m. Jan., 1858, Cornelia Smith.  
No chil.; Res. Cannonsburg, Mich.
- 304 Willett Phineas, b. Sept. 1, 1830.
- 305 Daniel Bristol, b. Jan. 2, 1834.  
De Elbert, b. June 28, 1839; d. Feb. 7, 1887; m. 1869, Eva Chappell of Green Bay.  
Mary Butler, b. Sept. 1, 1841; m. June 16, 1872, James M. Hungerford. Res. Toronto, Canada.
- 306 Martha Cornelia, b. May 2, 1845.  
Emma Jeannette, b. Mar. 13, 1851; d. May, 1898; m. Julius Marx; dau. Edith, b. Oct. 1874. Res. Denver, Col.

134 Sophronia<sup>6</sup> Ranney (Willett<sup>5</sup>, Willett<sup>4</sup>, Willett<sup>3</sup>, Thomas<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>), b. Mar. 31, 1807, Rome, N. Y.; m. Feb. 9, 1832, Redfield, N. Y., Reuben Drake, b. Jan. 15, 1801, Redfield, N. Y.; d. Feb. 5, 1895, Wabasha, Minn. He was app. by President Jackson postmaster at Redfield and held it for 30 years, then P. M. for some years at Beaver, Minn.; 1846, N. Y. Legislature; J. P. of Redfield for years. She was a mem. of Disciples Ch. and d. Feb. 15, 1887, Beaver, Minn.

*Children:*

- 307 Ellen, b. Dec. 1, 1832; m. G. T. Knowles.
- 308 Jeannette, b. Aug. 8, 1836; m. J. R. Martin.
- 309 Brayton, b. Nov. 18, 1838.
- 310 Margaret, b. Apr. 25, 1842; m. Wm. Buckingham.

135 Mary<sup>6</sup> Ranney (Willett<sup>5</sup>, Willett<sup>4</sup>, Willett<sup>3</sup>, Thomas<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>), b. Feb. 1, 1809, Rome, N. Y.; d. May 20, 1899, Akron, O.; m. Jan. 25, 1832, Volney Chamberlain, b. Dec. 5, 1804, Redfield, N. Y.; d. Apr. 23, 1885, Stow, O., son of Ebenezer Chamberlain and Susanna Jones of Middletown, Ct.

*Children:*

Orville Le Grand, b. Oct. 29, 1832, Redfield, N. Y.; d. Mar. 22, 1885, Shreveport, La.; m. June 19, 1860, Alexandria, La., Maria R. Grogan, b. ————; d. June 23, 1887, Alexandria, La. He was mechanical engineer, Captain in Confederate Army. *Children:*

James W., b. May 8, 1861.

Charles V., b. Jan. 19, 1863; d. June 6, 1869.

Marian Gertrude, b. Nov. 6, 1837; unm., res. Akron, O.

Leora Esther, b. Oct., 1840; m. Oct. 2, 1866, Stow, O., John Deuble, b. Mar. 15, 1842, Canton, O.; d. Oct. 4, 1894; druggist; Q. M. S. and 2d Lieut. Co. H, 115th Reg., O. V. I., Aug. 12, 1862—June 22, 1865. Widow res. Akron, O. *Children:*

Grace Kent, b. Mar. 22, 1868; m. Dec. 10, 1898, Geo. Probert, b. Feb. 22, 1870; bookkeeper, Rep., F. & A. M., K. of P.; res. Akron, O. *Children:*

Marion Lucille, b. Nov. 4, 1900.

Willett Kennette, b. Nov. 10, 1903.

James Willett, b. Oct. 6, 1843; m. Nov. 16, 1871, Emma Virginia Fay, b. Apr. 5, 1845, Akron, O., dau. of Nahum Fay and Lucia Cummings; Meth., D. A. R. He is mech. engineer, Rep., Serg. Co. C, 115th O. V. I., Aug. 10, 1862—June 22, 1865; G. A. R.; res. Akron, Ohio.

Charles Lester, b. June 28, 1846, Redfield, N. Y.; d. Aug. 20, 1899, Wabasha, Minn.; m. Nov. 20, 1870, Loretta Woodard, b. Sept. 27, 1846, of English ancestry; Rep., Cong., F. & A. M., lumber, active in public improvements. Widow res. Wabasha, Minn. *Children:*

Edith, b. July 11, 1875.

Mary Gertrude, b. Aug. 5, 1877.

Willett Ranney, b. Dec. 1, 1879; m. May 6, 1903, Etta Monroe, b. Dec. 25, 1878, of Scotch ancestry. Res. Wabasha, Minn. *Child:*

Charles Kenneth, b. Mar. 26, 1906.

Bessie Leora, b. Dec. 22, 1883.

Edgar Volney, b. Oct. 4, 1851; d. May 14, 1891; m. Feb. 3, 1875, Mary C. Bradley, b. July 12, 1850, Streetboro, O., dau. of Geo. Bradley and Nancy Paulina. Res. Kent, O.

136 Jeanette<sup>6</sup> Ranney (Willett<sup>5</sup>, Willett<sup>4</sup>, Willett<sup>3</sup>, Thomas<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>), b. Nov. 22, 1811, Smithville, N. Y.; d. Mar. 15, 1894, St. Paul, Minn.; m. ———, 1844, Dr. Sheldon Brooks, b. — son of—

In 1856 ill health sent Dr. Brooks to the territory of Minnesota, where he built a home in the White Water Valley, laid out a town and named it Beaver. Minnesota was admitted as a State in 1868. He was a member of the second session of its legislature, making the journey to St. Paul, 30 hours distant by stage-relays up the frozen Mississippi. All that goes to make pioneer life Jeanette Ranney Brooks and Dr. Brooks experienced. They resided later at Minneiska and Winona, he dying in the latter place ————. The widow then resided with her children in St. Paul until her death.

*Children:*

- George, b. Jan., 1845; d. Sept. 3, 1861.  
 311 Lester Ranney, b. May 19, 1847.  
 312 Dwight Frederic, b. June 10, 1849.  
 313 Anson Strong, b. Sept. 6, 1852.

137 Orville Willett<sup>6</sup> Ranny (same as *supra*), b. 1814, Adams, N. Y.; m. 1851, Amelia E. Goodale, who d. Nov., 1903, Buffalo, N. Y., the daughter of Dr. Goodale of Watertown, N. Y. At 15 he was a clerk in his brother Anson's store. In 1835 he was with Carrington & Pratt of Oswego. In 1839 in Salina with McCarthy & Son. In 1844 he rem. to Buffalo and engaged in the salt trade with great success until the law of 1859 changed the current. Then he became a mfr. He d. 1883.

*Child:*

Jeannette, b. 1855, Watertown, N. Y.; m. 1872, Frank Pease.

*Child:*

Marguerite, b. 1873, is a teacher where her mother resides, Colorado Springs, Col.

137a Lester<sup>6</sup> Ranney (Bro. to Anson), b. Sept. 29, 1815; d. Apr. 10, 1887; m. Olive Mahala Wood, b. Aug. 21, 1821, d. Dec. 26, 1895. He bought all the other interests in the home farm and died on the old homestead. He dealt largely in neat cattle for years. The old homestead was for years the rallying place of the Willett Ranney clan.

*Children:*

- Charles Anson, b. Mar. 14, 1846; d. Apr. 15, 1847.  
 Orville Wood, b. Mar. 5, 1849, unm. Res. on the old homestead, dealer in neat cattle.  
 Lester Brodner, b. Aug. 27, 1859; d. Apr. 22, 1874.





LESTER RANNEY BROOKS  
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MRS. JEANNETTE (RANNEY) BROOKS  
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JOHN RANNEY  
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MARY (RANNEY) CHAMBERLAIN  
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138 Norman<sup>6</sup> Ranney (Butler<sup>5</sup>, Willett<sup>4</sup>, Willett<sup>3</sup>, Thomas<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>), b. Watertown, N. Y.; m. 1830, Amelia Bagley, dau. of Henry Bagley and Mary Boynton. He rem. to Canton, Ill.

*Children:*

- 314 Minerva Caroline, b. 1831; m. 1851, Jesse Logan Jones, d. July 3, 1884, Henry, Ill. She res. Omaha, Neb. *Children:* Joseph A. and Wylie L. Res. Omaha, Neb.
- 314a Julia, b. 1833; d. 1863; m. A. W. Poole, d. 1888. *Children:* Amelia, m. William McDougal.  
Jennie, m. F. T. McCoy.  
Minera, m. Walter Reynolds. Res. Chicago, Ill.
- 315 Zenana Amelia, b. Mar. 25, 1836; d. Oct. 4, 1880; m. Nov. 9, 1853, Joseph Henderson Jones, b. Apr. 30, 1832, Washington Co., Ind. Merchant, Presb. Res. Henry, Ill. *Children:*  
Elizabeth Eva, b. Aug. 15, 1856; d. Jan. 6, 1860.  
Ida Amelia, b. July 18, 1858; m. Harry Lea Gregory. Res. Vincennes, Ind.  
Cannah, b. Dec. 16, 1861; m. Hattie Riley. Res. Vincennes, Ind.  
John Logan, b. Jan. 14, 1864; m. Cora Lane. Res. Peoria, Illinois.  
Julia, b. June 1, 1867; m. Nov. 9, 1893, Charles Sumner Crary, b. Nov. 14, 1863, Fort Recovery, O. Manufacturer, Rep., F. & A. M. Res. Hoopeston, Ill. *Children:*  
Zenana, b. Dec. 12, 1894.  
Marcella, b. Jan. 10, 1899.  
Ida, b. Jan. 6, 1901.  
Sumner, b. Apr. 21, 1903; d. Mar. 11, 1905.  
Virginia, b. Apr. 21, 1903.  
Norman Ranney, b. Nov. 13, 1873; d. May 11, 1888.

139 Samuel Hall<sup>6</sup> Ranney (George<sup>5</sup>, George<sup>4</sup>, George<sup>3</sup>, Thomas<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>), b. Mar. 6, 1772, Chatham, Ct.; m. Polly Stewart of Branford, Ct. Rem. to Ashfield, Mass., and settled on the farm adj. his father's. In 1821 he built the two-story house still standing. In 1836, he rem. to Phelps, N. Y. where he d. June 27, 1837. She d. abt. 1850, Michigan.

*Children:*

- 317a Lucretia, b. June 17, 1796; m. (1) Lemuel Sears; m. (2) 1820, Col. Nehemiah Hathaway.

- Braddock, b. May 20, 1800; d. Sept. 6, 1803.  
 Harriet, b. Mar. 12, 1802; d. Aug. 22, 1803.
- 318 William, b. Sept. 6, 1805.  
 Dexter, b. June 5, 1808; drowned Aug. 22, 1850, Grand Rapids, Mich.; m. Laura Robinson.  
 Lucius, b. June 12, 1812; d. Feb. 1, 1815.  
 Julia, b. Nov. 7, 1815; d. unm. Sept., 1838.  
 Emily, b. Jan. 9, 1818; d. Apr. 22, 1837; m. Dr. James Davis.
- 319 Frederick Thompson, b. Mar. 12, 1820.

140 J<sup>esse</sup> Ranney (George<sup>5</sup>, George<sup>4</sup>, George<sup>3</sup>, Thomas<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>), b. Oct. 13, 1775, Chatham, Ct.; m. Dec. 5, 1798, Ruth Flower, dau. of Bildad Flower. He settled on the farm in Ashfield next north of his father's. This he sold in 1818 to his brother Joseph and purchased another farm on which he died July 18, 1861. For many years he had been an active member of the Baptist Church, "was a man of sterling good sense; of retiring disposition; of exemplary life, and most esteemed by those who knew him best." She d. Sept. 4, 1868.

*Children:*

- 320 James, b. Sept. 15, 1799.  
 Bildad, b. Feb. 27, 1802; d. Aug. 4, 1815.
- 321 Charles, b. Dec. 4, 1803.
- 322 Hannah, b. Dec. 16, 1805; m. Richard Ellis.
- 323 Erastus, b. Oct. 8, 1807.
- 324 Amanda, b. Aug. 17, 1809; d. Oct. 19, 1884; m. (1) Elijah Richmond; (2) Wilson Elmer.
- 325 Edwin E., b. July 25, 1811.  
 Polly, b. Feb. 16, 1815; d. 1870; m. A. F. Daniels.  
 Lucretia, b. Feb. 9, 1819; m. Darius Cross.
- 326 Ruth Ann, b. June 23, 1821; m. Sylvester W. Hall.

141 Joseph<sup>6</sup> Ranney (George<sup>5</sup>, George<sup>4</sup>, George<sup>3</sup>, Thomas<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>), b. July, 1777, Chatham, Ct.; m. June 18, 1801, Sarah Waterman of Chatham, b.———; d. Sept. 9, 1825, Ashfield, Mass., dau. of Capt. Joseph Waterman; m. (2) Feb. 26, 1826, Tempey Eldridge; m. (3) May 17, 1831, Lucy Selden, widow of Lemuel Eldridge. In 1810 he and his wife sold their interest in her father's estate, and he bought a home in Chatham, where he worked in the quarries. He remained there till 1818, when he ret. to Ashfield. He was killed in his wood lot by a blow from a

falling tree. He was a member of the Episcopal Church. He d. Jan. 15, 1838. She d. July 19, 1862.

*Children:*

- Clarissa, b. 1803; d. before 1830.  
 Harriet, b. Sept., 1805; m. Lyman Williams.  
 Samuel, b. 1807; lived 7 days.  
 Emily, b. Dec., 1808; d. Apr. 3, 1811.  
 327 Samuel Allen, b. Sept., 1811.  
 Edward, b. Nov. 9, 1814; d. Dec. 15, 1839; m. Nov., 1837,  
 Marvillia Selden. No children.  
 328 Sarah Amelia, b. Nov., 1817; m. Levi C. Kingman.  
 329 Eliza Ann, b. Sept. 9, 1820; m. Samuel Kingman.  
 330 Sabra, b. Dec. 25, 1828; m. Oscar Richardson.  
 331 Clarissa, b. Dec. 7, 1832; d. Sept. 5, 1892; m. C. T. Parker.

142 Esther<sup>6</sup> Ranney (George<sup>5</sup>, George<sup>4</sup>, George<sup>3</sup>, Thomas<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>), b. Mar. 5, 1784; m. (1) May 3, 1803, Benjamin Jones, b. Mar. 17, 1783, Williamsburg, Mass., and d. Sept. 20, 1804; m. (2) July 27, 1809, Forest Jepson, b. Mar. 4, 1783, Goshen, Mass., and d. Sept. 20, 1844, Ashfield. She d. Aug. 23, 1862, Northampton, Mass.

*Child by 1st marriage:*

Benjamin, b. Oct. 15, 1804.

*Children by 2d marriage:*

- Marcia, b. July 7, 1810; m. Jefferson Leach.  
 Esther, b. Jan. 13, 1812; m. J. C. Pearl.  
 Forest, b. Aug. 22, 1813.  
 Orrin, b. Feb. 25, 1815.  
 Julia, b. May 25, 1817; m. Jesse Morse.  
 George Ranney, b. Feb. 19, 1819.  
 332 Calista, b. Aug. 16, 1821; m. L. H. Blanden.  
 Betsey M., b. Apr. 9, 1823; m. John T. Thurston.  
 Mary F., b. Dec. 16, 1824; m. W. E. Landon.  
 Dwight S., b. Nov. 16, 1826.  
 Lucretia, b. Jan. 25, 1829; m. John T. Thurston.

143 George<sup>6</sup> Ranney (George<sup>5</sup>, George<sup>4</sup>, George<sup>3</sup>, Thomas<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>), b. May 12, 1789, Ashfield, Mass.; m. Nov. 11, 1811, Achsah Sears, b. 1789; d. Aug. 7, 1869, dau. of Paul Sears. He succeeded to his father's homestead. Rem. 1833 to Phelps, N. Y., where he d. Sept. 9, 1842. He much resembled his father in personal appearance—was short in stature, thick set, with a compact, vigorous frame.

*Children:*

- 333 Alonzo Franklin, b. Sept. 13, 1812.  
George Lewis, b. Mar. 10, 1815; d. Apr., 1881; m. Sarah  
McConnell. No children.
- 334 Henry Sears, b. Mar. 5, 1817.
- 335 Lucius, b. Apr. 12, 1819.  
Priscilla M., b. Jan. 19, 1822; m. Randolph Densmore. One  
dau. d. young.
- 336 Harrison Jackson, b. Mar. 4, 1824.  
Lyman A., b. Aug. 1, 1828; d. unm. Mar. 7, 1854, Van  
Buren, Ark.
- 337 Lemuel Sears, b. Jan. 7, 1831.
- 338 Anson Bement, b. May 31, 1833.

144 Capt. Roswell<sup>6</sup> Ranney (Thomas<sup>5</sup>, George<sup>4</sup>, George<sup>3</sup>,  
Thomas<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>), b. Nov. 22, 1782, Chatham, (formerly E.  
Middletown), Ct.; m. Feb. 7, 1802, Irinda Bement, b. Sept. 11,  
1779, dau. of John Bement. Became prominent in public affairs in  
Ashfield, Mass., where his father had rem. in 1792. Capt. of  
Militia; twice Rep. in Legislature; held various town offices; ex-  
tensive farmer and speculator. Succeeded to his father's farm.  
In 1839 rem. to Phelps, N. Y., where he built a cobble stone house  
and barn. She d. Apr. 18, 1844; he d. Sept. 7, 1848.

*Children:*

- 339 Horace, b. May 22, 1803.  
Daughter, b. Aug. 15, 1804; d. same day.
- 340 Willis, b. Sept. 22, 1805.
- 341 Clarissa, b. Oct. 3, 1807; m. Wait Bement.
- 342 Madison, b. Oct. 9, 1809.  
Hiram, b. May 20, 1812; d. June 10, 1814.
- 343 Mary, b. Oct. 9, 1814; m. Dr. Milo Wilson.  
Amanda, b. Mar. 23, 1817; d. June 14, 1847; m. Jacob Jen-  
kins. Infant buried with her.
- 344 Hiram, b. Oct. 30, 1819.  
Thomas, b. Aug. 7, 1825; m. Sept. 6, 1848, Cordelia Butler  
of Phelps. He died Oct., 1878, at Boise City, Idaho Ter-  
ritory, where he was for many years chief clerk in the  
office of the United States Revenue Collector; Lillian,  
their only child m. George N. Burbridge, and lived in  
Geneva, N. Y.; died Nov. 24, 1902, childless, about two  
years after her husband.
- 145 William<sup>6</sup> Ranney (Thomas<sup>5</sup>, George<sup>4</sup>, George<sup>3</sup>, Thomas<sup>2</sup>,  
Thomas<sup>1</sup>), b. June 30, 1785, Chatham, formerly East Middletown,

Ct.; m. Dec., 1807, Ashfield, Mass., Betsey Alden, b. 1789, Ashfield, d. May 9, 1870, of the Alden stock of Plymouth Rock. In 1835 he rem. to Aurelius, N. Y., and then to Eldridge, N. Y., where he d. Sept. 9, 1857.

*Children:*

- Betsey, b. 1805; d. 1881; m. Fernando C. Annable.  
 John, b. 1811; d. 1864, Almena, Mich.  
 345 Luke, b. Nov. 8, 1815.  
 Martha, b.  
 Mary, b. ———; m. Edwin Whitney.

146 Giles<sup>6</sup> Ranney (Francis<sup>5</sup>, George<sup>4</sup>, George<sup>3</sup>, Thomas<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>), b. Aug. 15, 1773, Chatham, Ct.; m. Nov. 29, 1798, Lydia Bryant, b. May 10, 1775, Ashfield, Mass.; d. June 18, 1852, Ashfield. He was a farmer, rem. with his father 1786, to Ashfield where he d. Sept. 16, 1854.

*Children:*

- 346 Francis, b. Apr. 8, 1800.  
 Nehemiah, b. Oct. 27, 1803; d. unm. Jan. 10, 1881.  
 Ruth, b. May 30, 1806; m. Bela Dyer.  
 Lucy Bryant, b. Mar. 6, 1808; d. unm. June 17, 1890.  
 347 Mary, b. Oct. 3, 1810; m. May 25, 1832, Alvan Dyer.  
 348 James Allen, b. Jan. 28, 1813.  
 Lydia, b. Dec. 27, 1815; d. Mar. 13, 1816.  
 349 Charles, b. Dec. 16, 1816.  
 George C., b. Nov. 27, 1820. Left home and never heard from.

147 Daniel<sup>6</sup> Ranney (Francis<sup>5</sup>, George<sup>4</sup>, George<sup>3</sup>, Thomas<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>), b. 1776, Chatham, Ct.; m. May 10, 1800, Anna Bidwell of Chatham. He had rem. to Ashfield, Mass. in 1786, with his parents, but returned to marry the girl he knew in childhood. In 1821 he rem. to Leroy, N. Y., and in 1856 to the home of his daughter, Mrs. Charlotte Havens, Cass, Dupage Co., Ill., where he d. Mar. 14, 1857. The following from the pen of his grandson, Dr. Geo. E. Ranney, appeared in the *Batavia, N. Y., Advocate* of April 15, 1857.

“As a shock of wheat fully ripe,” a patriarch has been called to his final resting place. Respected by all who knew him, esteemed by his intimate friends and beloved by his widely extended family circle—trusting in the atonement made by his Savior, he calmly closed his eyes in death, with no dread of the future; but on the contrary relying upon “the promises”; certain of the blessed immortality. Less than a year since he removed to Illinois, anticipat-

ing much pleasure in his former occupation of reading, under the roof of his son-in-law, residing there, but so soon has been called away.

Mr. Ranney at an early day left New England and took up his residence in what was then the almost unbroken forest of Western New York. As a pioneer of the "Genesee Country" he lent all of his energies to the development of its resources. Fond of books, from his well stored mind he could draw good from the public, as well as bestow the results of "brawn and muscle." Always active, industrious, energetic and intelligent, he remained in the vicinity of Le Roy, till he saw his family grow up about him to be men and women, and "the wilderness to blossom as the rose."

It will be a source of consolation to his many friends and relatives residing in Le Roy, Pavilion and Stafford, to know that he breathed his last among warm friends and received every attention that affection could suggest to smooth the pathway to the grave.

*Children:*

350 Joel, b. Feb. 6, 1807.

Hezekiah Bartlett, b. 1808; d. 1832.

Julia, b. —————; m. Aziel Crittenden.

Charlotte, b. —————; m. Lorin Havens.

351 Ozias, b. Oct. 13, 1817.

147a Luther<sup>6</sup> Ranney (bro. to Giles), b. Sept. 6, 1785, East Middletown, Ct.; was a year old when his father rem. to Ashfield, Mass.; m. Eunice Gray Alden. Had eight children:

Luther Bartlett.

David.

351a John Alden, b. Feb. 6, 1828.

Nancy; m. ——— Field.

Sophronia, m. Goodwin.

Rachel, m. Charles Guilford.

Harriet.

148 Jonathan<sup>6</sup> Bosworth (Mary<sup>5</sup> Ranney, George<sup>4</sup>, George<sup>3</sup>, Thomas<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>), b. Jan. 21, 1787; d. Apr. 7, 1878; m. June 2, 1811, Lovisa Vilona Darling. He was a mfr. of cast steel and steel plate hoes, a deacon in Cong. Ch. of Berlin, Vt., where he lived over 80 years. He had 12 children: The 12th was

Joseph Stillman<sup>7</sup> Bosworth, b. Aug. 7, 1830, Berlin, Vt.;

m. (1) June 29, 1856, Mary Ann Gardner of Lowell,

Mass., who d. Sept. 19, 1857; m. (2) Mar. 7, 1860,



- Harriet E. Dustin, b. June 24, 1841, dau. of Philander Newton Dustin and Cynthia Knapp. He learned in Lowell the cabinet trade, but entered his father's factory. In 1863 he lost his health and died of consumption, Oct. 28, 1872. Widow res. in Berlin, Vt. *Children:*  
 Gardner Stillman, b. Sept. 11, 1857.  
 Henry Newton, b. June 4, 1863; d. July 26, 1897.  
 Mary Ann, b. Feb. 9, 1865; d. Sept. 10, 1867.  
 Geo. Ranney, b. Aug. 29, 1868; m. Oct. 24, 1894, Mabel Hannah Brown, b. Oct. 29, 1874, dau. of Wm. Brown and Mary Dewey; jeweler, Meth.; res. Berlin, Vt.  
*Children:*  
 Raymond Henry, b. Aug. 6, 1897.  
 Edward Brown, b. June 29, 1905.  
 Orville Dustin, b. May 9, 1871.

149 Orrin<sup>6</sup> Ranney (Jonathan<sup>5</sup>, George<sup>4</sup>, George<sup>3</sup>, Thomas<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>), bapt. June 24, 1789, Chatham, Ct.; m. Nov. 20, 1810, East Granville, Mass., Betsey Gibbons, b. Aug. 13, 1787, Granville, Mass. He d. abt. 1815. She m. (2) his brother Reuben.

*Child:*

Orrin D., b. Aug. 12, 1812; rem. to Chicago. Was m.; one dau.

150 Reuben<sup>6</sup> Ranney (Jonathan<sup>5</sup>, George<sup>4</sup>, George<sup>3</sup>, Thomas<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>), b. July 22, 1790, Chatham, Ct.; m. Oct. 6, 1817, East Granville, Mass., Betsey Gibbons Ranney, his brother's widow. He res. some years in Ashfield, Mass., then Granville, Mass.; d. Feb. 1, 1879, Elizabeth, N. J. She d. Mar. 6, 1882, Elizabeth, N. J.

*Children:*

Nancy Deborah, b. Sept. 4, 1818; d. Dec. 31, 1885. Principal 1858—1860 of Hartford Female Seminary.

Elizabeth, b. ———; d. 1881.

These two sisters conducted an important school in Elizabeth, N. J., in their later years.

316 Sarah Shepherd, b. July 28, 1825; m. J. A. Scott.

317 Timothy Pickering, b. Aug. 2, 1828.

151 Comfort<sup>6</sup> Ranney (Comfort<sup>5</sup>, Nathaniel<sup>4</sup>, Nathaniel<sup>3</sup>, Thomas<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>), b. Mar. 20, 1788, Upper Houses; d. July 14, 1823, Hudson, O.; m. Dec. 25, 1808, Haddam, Ct., Betty Hubbard, b. Apr. 2, 1790, Haddam; d. Jan. 4, 1868, dau. of Thomas Hubbard, Jr., and Sarah Boardman. Widow m. Mar. 24, 1826, M.

J. Collier. (See Boardman Genealogy, pp. 318-319.) He was a member of the Baptist Church of Upper Houses.

In the Spring of 1809 his parents, himself and wife, with his brother Jacob, started for Ohio, the father dying in Buffalo en route. He was a ship carpenter by trade and worked at it in Cleveland in the Summer of 1809, upon one of the first, if not the first, vessel built there. He purchased a large farm  $3\frac{1}{2}$  miles from the present village of Hudson. Then he went to Cleveland and built a saw mill but gave it up on account of ill health and returned to the farm where he died.

*Children:*

- 352 Luther Boardman, b. Nov. 28, 1809.  
 Laura Maria, b. Jan. 23, 1811; d. June 13, 1818.  
 Julia A., b. Dec. 10, 1812; m. John Shields; 10 children.  
 Eliza Samantha, b. July 15, 1814; m. Archibald Shields;  
 10 children.
- 353 Ruth Leonora, b. Dec. 12, 1815; m. Hiram Volney Bronson.
- 354 Elizabeth Jerusha, b. Dec. 29, 1817; m. John E. Hurlbut.
- 355 Moses, b. Aug. 12, 1819.  
 Sarah Florilla, b. Feb. 21, 1822; d. 1860; m. George Bishop,  
 son Daniel is a lawyer in Berkeley, California.

152 George<sup>6</sup> Ranney (William<sup>5</sup>, John<sup>4</sup>, John<sup>3</sup>, John<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>),  
 b. Aug. 5, 1784, Woodstock, Ct.; m. Nov. 10, 1810, Pike Township,  
 Bradford Co., Pa., Rosanna Beecher, b. Feb. 12, 1875, New Haven,  
 Ct.; d. Nov. 18, 1843, Kirtland, O. He was a deacon in the Cong.  
 Ch. of Kirtland, O., and a Justice of the Peace for many years, a  
 Democrat, and a very prominent resident of Kirtland, O., where he  
 d. Mar. 6, 1864.

*Children:*

- Alice Philena, b. Nov. 24, 1811; d. May 9, 1900; m. June 8,  
 1848, Silas Axtell, who d. Apr. 15, 1849.
- 356 Charlotte Sophia, b. June 1, 1813; m. C. G. Crary.  
 Pauline Henriette Louisa, b. Nov. 5, 1823; d. unkn. Nov. 18,  
 1843.

153 Ores<sup>6</sup> Ranney (Ebenezer<sup>5</sup>, Elijah<sup>4</sup>, Richard<sup>3</sup>, John<sup>2</sup>,  
 Thomas<sup>1</sup>), b. May 26, 1801, Augusta, N. Y.; m. (1) Mar. 17, 1825,  
 Augusta, N. Y., Elizabeth Murray, b. Feb. 14, 1804, Augusta, N.  
 Y., dau. of Archibald and Agnes Murray, who d. Dec. 14, 1852,  
 Stockbridge, N. Y.; m. (2) Dec. 7, 1856, Melvina Louisa Rhodes,  
 b. Nov. 4, 1820; d. Dec. 11, 1873, widow of Jonathan P. Rhodes  
 and dau. of Luther C. and Chloe C. Niles; m. (3) Jan. 1, 1877.  
 Eleanor M. Coan. Farmer; surveyor; sch. com<sup>r</sup>; Justice of

Peace; Bapt. deacon many years; Rep.; d Jan. 12, 1882, Oneida, N. Y. Widow res. Oneida, N. Y.

*Children by 1st marriage:*

- 357 Charles Ebenezer, b. June 20, 1827.  
 A son, b. 1833; d. young.  
 Jane Nancy, b. July 3, 1830; m. Joseph Quackenbush. Res. Lincoln, Neb.  
 Charlotte M., b. Aug. 25, 1836; m. Thomas Baylis. Res. Waterville, N. Y.

*Children by 2d marriage:*

- Ores Niles, b. July 14, 1858; m. Mar. 16, 1882, Annie Ravel Lawton. b. Mar. 21, 1860, Norridgewock, Me., dau. of Llewellyn Foss Lawton and Rebecca Foss Maxwell. Rep. All masonic degrees. Photographer. No children. Res. Lockport, N. Y.

154 Hiram<sup>6</sup> Ranney (Ebenezer<sup>5</sup>, Elijah<sup>4</sup>, Richard<sup>3</sup>, John<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>), b. Nov. 23, 1805, Augusta, N. Y.; m. Jan. 26, 1834, Mary M. Warren, b. Buckfield, Me., tracing her ancestry to the Warren and Alden families of note; d. Dec. 28, 1875. He was Supt. of Brotherton Indians. Rem. to Stockbridge, N. Y., and eng. in farming. Rem. 1839, to Mohawk, where he became merchant and then mfr. of guns. Held many places of trust. Homestead of 1839 is still in the family. Died Apr. 8, 1878, Mohawk, N. Y.

*Children:*

- Charlotte, b. Dec. 8, 1834; d. Oct. 2, 1836.  
 Maryett, b. Mar. 25, 1840; d. May 21, 1844.  
 Marcus, b. Oct. 2, 1838; d. May 9, 1839.  
 358 Hiram H., b. Apr. 17, 1842.  
 359 Warren, b. Sept. 3, 1846.

155 Anson L.<sup>6</sup> Ranney (Ebenezer<sup>5</sup>, Elijah<sup>4</sup>, Richard<sup>3</sup>, John<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>), b. June 21, 1811, Augusta, N. Y.; m. Sept. 27, 1838, Oneida, N. Y., Eleanor T. Murray, b. Aug. 15, 1818, Augusta; d. Apr. 14, 1896, Kalamazoo, Mich.; dau. of Archibald Murray and Agnes Rodgers. He was a merchant; in 1863 rem. to Kalamazoo, Mich., to a farm, where he died July 11, 1892.

*Children:*

- Adelle Caroline, b. 1842; m. 1875, Eberle B. Underwood; res. Galesburg, Mich. *Children:*

Esther, b. 1876.

Florence, b. 1878; m. O. O. Bishop. Res. Vicksburg, Mich.  
Jay, b. 1844; d. 1856.

359a Orlo Bartholomew, b. 1847.

Maurice Morton, b. 1849; d. 1899, unm.

Ida May, b. 1851; unm. Res. Kalamazoo, Mich.

Bernard David, b. 1853; drowned 1898, on voyage to Alaska;  
unm.

Margaret Estella, b. 1857; unm. Res. Kalamazoo, Mich.

156 Oliver Russell<sup>6</sup> Ranney (Ebenezer<sup>5</sup>, Elijah<sup>4</sup>, Richard<sup>3</sup>, John<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>), b. Jan., 1816, Augusta, N. Y.; m. Nov. 22, 1835, Stockbridge, N. Y., Elizabeth Franklin Carpenter, b. May 5, 1814, Rhode Island, dau. of Ezekiel Carpenter and Dorcas Gardner; d. Dec. 13, 1877, Stockbridge, N. Y. After his marriage he worked in his father's mill, then took the farm on shares for two years, then entered the jewelry business. After his wife's death he made his home with his daughter, Mrs. Lowe, where he d. June 24, 1897, Oneida, N. Y. He cast his first vote for William Henry Harrison and was an active member of the Baptist Church.

*Children:*

Agnes Elizabeth, b. Sept. 21, 1839; d. Nov. 28, 1854.

Elvira Ann, b. Oct. 22, 1842; d. June 24, 1849.

360 Abbie Deette, b. Feb. 5, 1847; m. Walter Robert Lowe.

Mary Josephine, b. Aug. 16, 1850; d. Feb. 15, 1862.

Celia Elenora, b. June 16, 1853; d. Apr. 29, 1857.

157 Almeda Pamela<sup>6</sup> Ranney (Ebenezer<sup>5</sup>, Elijah<sup>4</sup>, Richard<sup>3</sup>, John<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>), b. Mar. 27, 1820, Augusta, N. Y.; m. (1) Sept. 12, 1838, Valley Mills, N. Y., William Walter Bingham, b. Mar. 15, 1818, ———, Conn.; undertaker and cabinet maker; d. Nov. 23, 1844, Valley Mills, N. Y. She m. (2) ———, 1850, Rev. David Sargent Jackson, b. 1802; d. 1858, Unadilla, N. Y. She d. Sept. 2, 1877, Oneida, N. Y.

*Children by 1st marriage:*

361 Norton William, b. May 4, 1841.

Elbert R., b. Feb. 9, 1844; d. Aug. 23, 1844.

158 Elijah Warren<sup>6</sup> Ranney (Rufus<sup>5</sup>, Elijah<sup>4</sup>, Richard<sup>3</sup>, John<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>), b. 1802, Blandford, Mass.; m. Sept. 14, 1824, Bland-



LUTHER BOARDMAN RANNEY  
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SULLIVAN RANNEY  
(See page 312)



HENRY CLAY RANNEY  
(See page 368)



RUFUS PERCIVAL RANNEY  
(See page 271)

ford, Mass., M. Levana Larkcom, b. Mar. 14, 1802, Otis, Mass., dau. of Paul Larkcom, b. Feb. 16, 1764, and Comfort Norton, b. Apr. 17, 1764. He rem., 1824, to Freedom, O., where he was the first postmaster, 1826, and then a merchant. He d. Mar. 2, 1835; she d. Feb. 3, 1854, Freedom, O.

*Children:*

Ann Eliza, b. July 26, 1826; d. 1906; m. July 13, 1847, Anson Bancroft. *Children:* Levanna, Rose, Elva, Helen and Percival. Res. Crookeston, Minn.

362 Henry Clay, b. June 1, 1829.

Warren, b. May, 1834; d. Sept. 6, 1836.

159 Rufus Percival<sup>6</sup> Ranney (Rufus<sup>5</sup>, Elijah<sup>4</sup>, Richard<sup>3</sup>, John<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>), b. Oct. 13, 1813, Blandford, Mass.; m. May 1, 1839, Jefferson, O., Adaline Warner, b. Jan. 20, 1818, dau. of Jonathan Warner and Nancy Frithy. He rem. 1824, to Freedom, O.; 1836 to Jefferson, O.; 1845, to Warren, O.; 1856, to Cleveland, where he d. Dec. 6, 1891. She was mem. of Trinity Episcopal Church, and d. June 3, 1900, Cleveland.

The compiler of these records, meeting Judge Ranney, 1880, in Escanaba, Mich., learned the story of the journey of his father's family from Blandford, Mass., by ox team to Albany, by canal to Buffalo, by boat to Cleveland, and by team to Freedom, where for a year they lived on game till a few acres were cleared of timber so they could have a garden.

Judge Ranney's remarkable career as printed in the 49th Ohio State Report is as follows:

"Rufus P. Ranney died at home in Cleveland the 6th day of December, 1891, at the ripe age of seventy-eight.

"As a man, as a lawyer, as a judge, and as a statesman, he left a record without a blemish, a character above reproach, and a reputation as a jurist and statesman which but few members of the bar have attained.

"Judge Ranney came from New England, a land of robust men, of wonderful physical and mental fibre and endurance. He was born at Blandford, Hampton County, Mass., the 13th day of Oct., 1813. His father was a farmer of Scotch descent.

"In 1824 the family moved to Ohio and settled at Freedom, Portage Co.

"The means of public instruction was quite limited, but the stock of intelligence in the family, with a few standard books brought from Massachusetts, coupled with an active, penetrating

and broad intellect, aroused in the son a desire to get an education. Not until he had nearly arrived at man's estate was he able to manage, as he did by his manual labor and by teaching in backwoods schools, to enter an academy where he, in a short time, prepared himself to enter college. By chopping cord wood at twenty-five cents per cord he earned the money to enter Western Reserve College at Hudson, Ohio, but for want of means could not complete the college course.

"He made up his mind to study law, and at the age of twenty-two entered the office of Benjamin F. Wade and Joshua R. Giddings at Jefferson, Ohio, and began his preparation for admission to the bar, and in 1836 was admitted.

"Later he and Mr. Wade entered into partnership, Mr. Giddings having been elected to Congress.

"About 1845 Judge Ranney removed to Warren, Ohio, which was the chief center of business and wealth in that part of the State. He at once commanded a large practice.

"In 1846 and again in 1848 he was nominated for Congress, but was not elected, his party being hopelessly in the minority.

"In 1850 he was elected from Trumbull and Geauga Counties a delegate to the convention which had been called to revise the Constitution of the State of Ohio. He served with distinction on the committees on judiciary, on revision, on amendments and others, and although he was a young man, he was soon recognized as one of the leading members of the Convention.

"In March, 1851, he was elected by the General Assembly Judge of the Supreme Court, succeeding Judge Avery, and at the first election held under the amended constitution in 1851 he was chosen to be one of the judges of the new Supreme Court. He served until 1856, when he resigned and moved from Warren to Cleveland and resumed the practice of his profession as a member of the firm of 'Ranney, Backus & Noble.'

"In 1859 he was the unsuccessful candidate of his party for Governor of Ohio, and in 1862 was nominated against his express desire as a candidate for Supreme Judge, and to his own surprise was elected. He resigned two years later.

"When the Ohio State Bar Association was organized, he was unanimously chosen its President.

"Towards the close of his life, Judge Ranney gradually withdrew from the practice of his profession, but the well-earned leisure of his later years was far from being indolence.

"He devoted much of his time for several years to placing the Case School of Applied Science at Cleveland upon a firm foundation, and providing for it adequate buildings and equipment.



"He was also a student of French, and made a profound study of her literature, politics, history and law.

"While Judge Ranney was on the bench, he was one of the strongest administrative forces of the State government. He held a place of his own. He was a personal force whose power was profoundly felt in the administration of justice throughout the State. He made a deep and permanent impression on the jurisprudence of Ohio.

"Judge Ranney had those qualities of simplicity, directness, candor, solidity, strength and sovereign good sense, which independent and reflective life of the early settlers of the Western country fostered.

"At the bar or in his own library, he was one of the most interesting of men.

"He was himself a firm believer in representative government, insisting, however, in order to perpetuate it, its abuses and evils must be plainly exposed and resolutely resisted.

"Signed by:

"Allen G. Thurman,  
"Russell A. Harrison,  
"Jacob D. Cox,  
"F. E. Hutchins,  
"Samuel E. Williamson."

*Children:*

Richard W., b. Mar. 5, 1840; d. July 26, 1840.

Howard, b. Sept. 7, 1841; d. Oct. 14, 1846.

Cornelia, b. Nov. 30, 1842; d. May 1, 1873; m. T. Kelly Bolton; two sons; res. New York City.

364 Charles Percival, b. Oct. 7, 1847.

365 John Rufus, b. Oct. 5, 1851.

Harriet L., b. Aug. 20, 1859; d. May 18, 1868.

160 John Lewis<sup>6</sup> Ranney (Rufus<sup>5</sup>, Elijah<sup>4</sup>, Richard<sup>3</sup>, John<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>), b. Nov. 14, 1815, Blandford, Mass.; m. Feb. 26, 1834, Eliza E. Remington, who d. Oct. 22, 1897. Rem. 1824, to Freedom, O., and to Ravenna, O., where he d. Feb. 22, 1866. Lawyer. The widow married Daniel Day.

*Children:*

Mary Ann, b. July 8, 1837, d. Sept. 7, 1854; m. Apr. 3, 1854, Geo. L. Hotchkiss.

Joseph Norton, b. Jan. 11, 1839; d. Feb. 17, 1882, Ravenna, O.

- Lewis Rufus, b. July 28, 1842; d. May 16, 1872, unm.  
 Sarah Cornelia, b. Nov. 20, 1844; m. Nov. 3, 1862, David  
 McDonald; res. Cleveland, O. *Children:*  
 Mae Ethel, b. Feb. 16, 1874; m. Sept. 22, 1892, Edward  
 Jenner.  
 Lena Irene, b. Aug. 9, 1877; m. June 5, 1895, Roy Ben-  
 nett.  
 John Ranney, b. Jan. 4, 1880.  
 Flora Adaline, b. Jan. 4, 1852; m. Sept. 17, 1903, Samuel  
 N. Parshall; res. Ravenna, O.  
 Rufus Henry, b. May 4, 1857; d. Feb. 10, 1864.

161 Joel<sup>6</sup> Ranney (Joel<sup>5</sup>, Stephen<sup>4</sup>, Richard<sup>3</sup>, John<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>),  
 b. Sept. 10, 1802, Chatham, Conn.; m. Nov. 24, 1824, by Epis. rec-  
 tor of Chatham, Elizabeth Mary Graham, b. May 1, 1805, Chatham.  
 Ct.; d. Apr. 16, 1869, New Albany, Ohio. He and his father  
 were members, 1818, of the Episcopal Parish. The father rem-  
 to New Jersey, and about 1817 to Plain Township, Franklin Co.,  
 O., where he bought land on time. He returned to New Jersey  
 to earn money with which to pay for the land and ret. to Ohio  
 in fall of 1828, when his son Joel went there. Joel<sup>6</sup> died Dec. 21,  
 1877, New Albany, O. She d. Apr. 16, 1869.

*Children:*

- Mary A., b. May 22, 1826; d. 1903; m. ——— Hoffman.  
 365a Sylvester W., b. Mar. 7, 1830. (See Appendix.)  
 Harriet, b. Oct. 5, 1832; m. ——— Headley.  
 366 Emily S., b. Jan. 15, 1835; m. Geo. Clark.  
 Edwin, b. Dec. 19, 1837; m. ———; d. Apr. 11, 1842.  
 Abiah E., b. Feb. 12, 1839; unm.; d. Jan. 8, 1879.  
 Sarah, b. Aug. 6, 1841; unm.; d. July 12, 1852.  
 Eliza, b. June 13, 1843; unm.; d. June 3, 1852.  
 367 John H., b. Jan. 8, 1846.  
 368 Joel Cyrus, b. Feb. 8, 1848.

162 Alanson Ranney<sup>6</sup> Knox (Hannah<sup>5</sup> Ranney, Abner<sup>4</sup>, Rich-  
 ard<sup>3</sup>, John<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>), b. Aug. 7, 1804, Blandford, Mass.; d. Jan.  
 4, 1884, Cuyahoga Falls, O.; m. July 4, 1826, Utica, N. Y., Catha-  
 rine O. Habermehl, b. Jan. 28, 1803, N. Y. City; d. Apr. 13, 1840,  
 Dansville, N. Y.; bookbinder; Rep.; Meth.

*Children:*

- 369 Catherine Eliza, b. May 27, 1827; m. Joseph C. Dana.  
 Gabriel Luring, b. June 27, 1829; m. Annie R. Burdick,

who d. 1907. She was the first teacher of Frances E. and Mary Willard. (See "Glimpses of Sixty Years," by Miss Willard.)

- Harriet A., b. Oct. 27, 1830; d. Oct. 16, 1834.  
 370 Henrietta Matilda, b. Jan. 2, 1833; m. Rev. Thos. E. St. John.  
 Henry Habermehl, b. May 15, 1835; 2nd Lieut. 13th Regt. Wis. Vols.; res. Janesville, Wis.  
 Lemuel Gilbert, b. Dec. 30, 1837; d. Nov. 7, 1877.  
 371 Harriet Jane, b. Feb. 26, 1840; m. F. G. Knight.

163 Mary Ann<sup>6</sup> Ranney (Abner<sup>5</sup>, Abner<sup>4</sup>, Richard<sup>3</sup>, John<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>), b. Aug. 10, 1815, Augusta, N. Y.; m. Feb. 25, 1840, Sheridan, N. Y., James Sheldon Cook, b. Jan. 10, 1805, Whites-town, N. Y.; farmer; Rep.; Bapt., who d. Sept. 5, 1877, Sheridan, N. Y. She was Bapt. and d. May 10, 1884, Sheridan, N. Y.

*Children:*

- Almon Lyman, b. Mar. 18, 1843.  
 372 Harriet Edna, b. Sept. 19, 1851; m. Harvey M. Bailey.

164 Lyman Wells<sup>6</sup> Ranney (Abner<sup>5</sup>, Abner<sup>4</sup>, Richard<sup>3</sup>, John<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>), b. Oct. 30, 1820, Augusta, N. Y.; m. May 15, 1860, Mary Elizabeth Van Naten, b. Feb. 3, 1843, Cooperstown, Pa., dau. of James Van Naten and Minerva N. Thayer. He was a physician and d. Jan. 12, 1905, New Castle, Pa. Widow res. in New Castle, Pa.

*Children:*

- 373 Cassius W., b. Feb. 18, 1861.  
 374 Robert B., b. Jan. 10, 1865.  
 374a Lura May, b. July 7, 1870; m. Henry M. Good.

165 Harmon<sup>6</sup> Ranney (Abner<sup>5</sup>, Abner<sup>4</sup>, Richard<sup>3</sup>, John<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>), b. Oct. 12, 1823, Augusta, N. Y.; m. Jan. 8, 1850, Fredonia, N. Y., Julia Ann Cook, b. Jan. 1, 1831, Fredonia, N. Y., dau. of Sheldon Cook and Mary Ann Newell, who d. Apr. 15, 1891, New Lisbon, Wis. He was a farmer; Rep.; and Bapt. Rem. to Wis. in 1856; private Nov. 1, 1861, in 10th Wis. Battery; trans. to 8th Battery, Mar. 31, 1862, and disc. July 19, 1862. He d. June 6, 1901, Hustler, Wis.

*Children:*

- 375 Bernice, b. Mar. 9, 1851.  
 376 Sarah Etta, b. June 15, 1853.  
 377 Sheldon, b. Feb. 19, 1859.  
 378 Bertha, b. Apr. 11, 1867.

166 Timothy Alonzo<sup>6</sup> Ranney (Joel<sup>5</sup>, Abner<sup>4</sup>), b. June 1, 1811, Augusta, N. Y.; d. July 26, 1886, West Falls, N. Y.; m. Mar. 1, 1837, Springville, N. Y., Mary Alma Packard, b. June 11, 1818, Aurora, N. Y., d. Aug. 25, 1891, Dunkirk, N. Y.; dau. of James Packard and Content Wheeler. He was a farmer at Griffin's Mills in early life. Being the oldest of a large family of children, much responsibility rested upon him. He was much devoted to music, played on an instrument in the Baptist choir, being a member of that church, a Good Templar, and Democrat. A daughter writes: "He belonged to the State militia and was a member of the band. I have heard him tell of being in Buffalo when it was a small city and in danger of an attack from the British. He was impressed with the silence of the stern, set faces of the men who watched the British boats that passed the city, not knowing what moment the boom of the cannon might be heard. His pride in always naving his word as good as gold, his always 'doing to others as he would have them do to him' made him a man much respected and beloved by all. He carried the mark of the Ranneys with him, hair as fine as silk and skin that remained soft and fair although subjected to hard labor."

*Children:*

- 379 Lamira Corinthia, b. Sept. 1, 1840; m. A. G. Southwick.  
 380 Louise Content, b. Aug. 26, 1842; m. A. B. Harte.  
     James Packard, b. ————, 1851; lived 9 days.  
 381 Mary Adaline, b. Feb. 14, 1853; m. C. H. Decker.  
 381a Mattie Florence, b. June 15, 1860; m. J. D. Thurber.

167 Caroline Amelia<sup>6</sup> Ranney (Joel<sup>5</sup>, Abner<sup>4</sup>, Richard<sup>3</sup>, John<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>), b. Feb. 16, 1824; d. Aug. 26, 1889; m. Oct. 25, 1847, Griffin's Mills, N. Y., Charles Miller Whitney, b. July 30, 1819, Dunniston, Vt., d. Apr. 14, 1896, East Aurora, N. Y. Adv. agt. in Buffalo at time of death. Rep.; Presb.

*Children:*

- Catherine, b. ————, ————; m. Hunt.  
 Ida May, b. June 10, 1857, Spring Brook, N. Y.; m. Nov. 21, 1883, Spring Brook, N. Y., Seward Griffin, b. Dec. 29, 1860, East Hamburg, N. Y. Res. Buffalo, N. Y.

168 Lydia Jane<sup>6</sup> Ranney (Joel<sup>5</sup>, Abner<sup>4</sup>, Richard<sup>3</sup>, John<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>), b. Apr. 17, 1835, Griffin's Mills, N. Y.; d. Jan. 22, 1893; m. July 11, 1861, Perry, N. Y., Thomas William Parker, b. July 12, 1838, Mt. Morris, N. Y.; private Co. D, 157th Regt. N.

Y. Vols., July 30, 1863-Apr. 14, 1866; Dem.; Epis.; G. A. R.; res. Mt. Morris, N. Y.

*Children:*

George Ebenezer, b. Apr. 23, 1862; d. Nov. 21, 1881.

Frank William, b. Sept. 27, 1863, Mt. Morris, N. Y.; m. Apr. 23, 1890, Angelica, N. Y., Clementine W. Hinkley, b. Feb. 28, 1866, Iowa; dau. of Milton Jerome Hinkley and Amelia Delphina Upson. He d. Mar. 1, 1896. Hardware clerk; Dem.; Epis.; Maccabees. Widow Presb.; Maccabees; W. R. C.; Nat. Protective Legion; res. Canistota, N. Y. *Child:*

Milton Thomas, b. June 14, 1891.

Lillie Harriet, b. Jan. 3, 1869.

Jennie Bell, b. Mar. 26, 1870.

169 John Sheldon<sup>6</sup> Ranney (Joel<sup>5</sup>, Abner<sup>4</sup>, Richard<sup>3</sup>, John<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>), b. Oct. 22, 1838, Griffin's Mills, N. Y.; d. Apr. 15, 1902, Hamburg, N. Y.; m. Aug. 29, 1857, Griffin's Mills, Olive Lucretia Waters, b. Feb. 10, 1839, Colden, N. Y.; dau. of Asa Waters and Anna Dudley. He was a crayon artist of reputation; Dem.; Bapt.; Chief of Good Templars. Widow d. Jan. 17, 1903.

*Child:*

Frances May, b. May 8, 1879; m. Oct. 7, 1898, Robert Dunham. *Child:*

Robert Lee.

170 Rowland Robinson<sup>6</sup> Ranney (Joel<sup>5</sup>, Abner<sup>4</sup>, Richard<sup>3</sup>, John<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>), b. May 10, 1824, Griffin's Mills, N. Y.; d. May 24, 1893, Wales, Erie Co., N. Y.; m. Nov. 25, 1856, East Aurora, N. Y., Ellen Crane, b. Oct. 10, 1839, East Aurora d. Oct. 20, 1894, East Aurora; dau. of Thomas Crane and Nancy Morgan. He was a blacksmith and I. O. O. F.

*Children:*

Albert<sup>t</sup> Crane, b. Jan. 16, 1863; d. Jan. 1, 1892.

Ellen Laura, b. Aug. 26, 1870; m. Apr. 10, 1889, Franklin Peter Stillinger, b. Aug. 31, 1858, Bennington, N. Y. Farmer; Dem.; Ger. Lutheran; res. Springbrook, N. Y.

*Child:*

Rowland Henry, b. Sept. 30, 1895.

171 Lafayette<sup>6</sup> Ranney (Joel<sup>5</sup>, Abner<sup>4</sup>, Richard<sup>3</sup>, John<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>), b. ————, ————; d. ————, Dodge City, Kan-

sas; m. ———, Harriett Elizabeth Bumstead. R. R. eng.; Rep.; F. A. M.

*Children:*

Lafayette, b. ———, —, —; d. infant.  
 Cora Belle, b. Mar. 29, 1861, Buffalo, N. Y.; m. Jan. 17, 1884, Grand Island, Neb., Austin Taylor b. Dec. 11 1861, Olean, Mo. Supt. Union Pacific R. R.; B. P. O. E.; Modern Woodmen; res. Grand Island, Neb.  
 Nellie Edith, b. ———; d. infant.

172 Oliver Franklin<sup>6</sup> Ranney (Oliver<sup>5</sup>, Abner<sup>4</sup>, Richard<sup>3</sup>, John<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>), b. Apr. 1, 1813, Knoxboro, N. Y.; m. (1) Nov. 9, 1836, Augusta, N. Y., Philena Strong, b. Sept. 14, 1815, Augusta, N. Y., d. Sept. 17, 1838, dau. of Salmon Strong and Abigail Rice; m. (2) Feb. 4, 1841, Augusta Hannah Goodhue, b. June 28, 1808; d. Feb. 7, 1898, Taberg, N. Y.; dau. of John Goodhue, b. June 18, 1773; d. Dec. 26, 1856, Augusta, N. Y., and Lovica Baker, b. Aug. 5, 1775, dau. of Daniel Baker and Hannah Ballard. Mr. Ranney contributed the Ranney data for the Strong Genealogy; farmer; Rep.; Cong.; d. Aug. 28, 1887, Taberg, N. Y.

*Children by 2d marriage:*

382 John Goodhue, b. Apr. 29, 1845.  
 383 Barzillai Frank, b. Dec. 24, 1847.  
 Emma Lovica, b. Oct. 7, 1851; d. Sept. 2, 1866.

173 Daniel Wells<sup>6</sup> Ranney (Oliver<sup>5</sup>, Abner<sup>4</sup>, Richard<sup>3</sup>, John<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>), b. Oct. 4, 1819, Knoxboro, N. Y.; m. July 16, 1845, Sandy Creek, N. Y., Rachel Lavina Warner, b. 1825, Vernon, N. Y., dau. of Andrew Warner Jr., and Elizabeth Clark Young, who d. 1879 in Mo.; Rep.; Meth.; studied med.; in 1850 est. water cure in Knoxboro; d. Apr. 10, 1866, in Florida.

*Children:*

384 Rudolph, b. July 30, 1847.  
 385 Frank Warner, b. Feb. 8, 1850.

174 Hiram Mason<sup>6</sup> Ranney (Oliver<sup>5</sup>, Abner<sup>4</sup>, Richard<sup>3</sup>, John<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>), b. Jan. 6, 1822; m. Dec. 3, 1857, Forest Lake, Pa., Elizabeth Clark, b. Sept. 29, 1833, LeRayville, Pa., dau. of Charles Clark, a banker, of Reading, Pa., who was b. in England. In 8 days Mr. Ranney raised in Binghamton, N. Y., a company of 110 men (Dickinson Guards) and camped in Elmira, but was rejected by the surgeon. He became a sutler. He and his wife

were Spiritualists. He d. Dec. 18, 1888. Widow is inmate of Odd Fellows' Home, Northfield, Minn.

*Children:*

- Adalina Patti, b. Nov. 8, 1859.  
Maurice Mason, b. Mar. 28, 1861.  
Alexander Vance, b. Sept. 2, 1866.

174a Milo<sup>6</sup> Ranney (Wells<sup>5</sup>, Abner<sup>4</sup>, Richard<sup>3</sup>, John<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>), b. ———, 1818; m. ———, Anna Van Tassel. He d. Jan. 25, 1895.

*Children:*

- 385a John Jay, b. Mar. 15, 1843.  
Adaline Priscilla, b. Mar. 22, 1847.  
Ophelia Ann, b. Mar. 11, 1852.  
Phebe Anna, b. Sept. 22, 1853, m. Albert Richards. *Children:*  
Albert Daniel, b. Mar. 16, 1875.  
George Eduard, b. Feb. 26, 1877.  
Maryette, b. Apr. 10.  
385b Milo Wells, b. Apr. 14, 1862.

175 Harvey Henderson<sup>6</sup> Ranney (Wells<sup>5</sup>, Abner<sup>4</sup>, Richard<sup>3</sup>, John<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>), b. Aug. 8, 1823, Royalton, N. Y.; m. Nov. 15, 1849, Sarah Catherine Jones, b. June 12, 1833; d. Jan. 22, 1901; dau. of David N. and Elmira Jones. He res. with dau. at Woodburn, Oregon.

*Children:*

- 386 Julia Almira, b. Jan. 8, 1852; m. E. A. Stanton.  
Maryetta, b. Jan. 6, 1854; d. Feb. 17, 1855.  
Franklin W., b. Nov. 16, 1856; d. May 19, 1861.  
Ida May, b. Feb. 1864; d. Mar. 1864.  
387 Charlotte Eliza, b. Apr. 29, 1866; m. A. Lee Whitelock.  
388 Eva Belinda, b. July 16, 1869; m. Clarence W. Gillette.  
Gracie Cora, b. Mar. 14, 1871; d. June 5, 1871.  
Freddie Birdie, b. Jan. 20, 1872; d. Mar. 20, 1876.  
Charles Edward, b. May 13, 1875; d. Aug. 10, 1896.

175a Daniel<sup>6</sup> Ranney (Wells<sup>5</sup>, Abner<sup>4</sup>, Richard<sup>3</sup>, John<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>) b. 1822; m. Sophronia Christopher. Res. Middleport, N. Y.

*Children:*

- Julia Sarah, b.  
Eben Francis, b. ———; res. Buffalo, N. Y.

Ella Mary, b. ———; m. Orrin Enos.  
 Charles E., b. ———; res. Royalton, N. Y.

175b Franklin<sup>6</sup> Ranney (Wells<sup>5</sup>, Abner<sup>4</sup>, Richard<sup>3</sup>, John<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>), m. Matilda Roberts.

*Children:*

John W.  
 Lyman.  
 George Franklin.  
 Rose, b. ———; m. ——— Sims.

176 Collins Bartholomew<sup>6</sup> Ranney (Wells<sup>5</sup>, Abner<sup>4</sup>, Richard<sup>3</sup>, John<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>), b. Jan. 20, 1840, Royalton, N. Y.; m. (1) Jan. 2, 1873, Royalton, Elizabeth Singer, b. June 12, 1843, d. May 23, 1884, dau. of Henry Singer and Elizabeth Hoover; m. (2) Nov. 10, 1892, Emeline Fry, b. Jan. 27, 1855, dau. of Henry Fry, farmer; Rep.; Meth.; res. Clarence, Erie Co., N. Y.

*Children by 1st marriage:*

Geo. H., b. June 15, 1876; unm.; res. Lockport, N. Y.  
 Nina E., b. Jan. 1, 1879; unm.; res. Hillsdale, N. Y.  
 Lottie S., b. July 9, 1882.

*Children by 2d marriage:*

Carrie Eva, b. June 15, 1894.  
 Bertie D., b. Aug. 15, 1896.

177 Philo<sup>6</sup> Ranney (Lyman<sup>5</sup>, Abner<sup>4</sup>, Richard<sup>3</sup>, John<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>), b. Oct. 13, 1818, Perrysburg, N. Y.; d. Oct. 3, 1892, York, Wis.; m. Oct. 26, 1845, York, Wis. (the first marriage in the township), Sally Ann Thompson, b. June 11, 1829, Perrysburg, N. Y., dau. of William Thompson and Mary Eaton; farmer; Rep.; Town Treas.; Supervisor; for 19 years Meth. Class Leader, absent but three times. The widow res. Marshfield, Wis.

*Children:*

389 Francis Leroy, b. Dec. 16, 1847.  
 390 Julius Sheldon, b. Oct. 2, 1849.  
 391 Orceia Sophronia, b. Jan. 30, 1851; m. M. W. Sawyer.  
 392 Mary Eliza, b. Apr. 26, 1853; m. Silas Wilcox.  
 Ellen Jane, b. Jan. 17, 1857; m. H. M. Lackey, dau. Lyle Mae, b. June 22, 1889.



Sarah Etta, b. July 4, 1859; d. unm., Mar. 3, 1885.

393 Oscar Jay, b. June 26, 1863.

394 Seymour Philo, b. July 19, 1866.

Clara Adell, b. Feb. 22, 1869; m. M. E. Muzzy; res. Marshfield, Wis.

Adalena, b. June 7, 1872; d. unm., Oct. 12, 1894.

178 Eliza<sup>8</sup> Ranney (Lyman<sup>5</sup>, Abner<sup>4</sup>, Richard<sup>3</sup>, John<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>), b. Apr. 12, 1821; d. July 12, 1869; m. Moses Wood. d. Sept. 2, 1904, Madison, Wis.; rem. 1847 to Wis.; farmer; Rep.; Bapt.

*Children:*

Juliette, b. Apr. 6, 1841; d. Oct. 15, 1900; m. ———.

Orselia, b. ———; d. young.

Oren Christopher, b. Jan. 23, 1846; m. Dec. 19, 1869.

Theodocia Alwilda Bridges, b. Nov. 14, 1844, Canada East, dau. of Rev. John Bridges and Sarah Hazelwood; farmer, Rep., Advent Christian; res. Sac City, Iowa.

*Children:*

Edith Adella, b. July 27, 1871; m. Feb. 16, 1901, Sac

City, Ia., Frank Plum King, b. Nov. 5, 1872, McLean Co., Ill.; farmer, Rep. Res. Storm Lake, Ia.

*Children:*

Lavern Mae, b. Dec. 2, 1901.

Orrin Franklin, b. Aug. 22, 1903.

Emma Jane, b. Aug. 31, 1875; unm.

Arabella May, b. Nov. 6, 1877; m. Sept. 16, 1900, Max

Frank Dorwood, b. Apr. 17, 1878, desc. of Scotch line; farmer, Christian Ch., anti-saloon; res. Cottage Grove, Oregon. *Child:*

Donald Larne, b. Oct. 1, 1901.

Evalena, b. Apr. 24, 1880; unm.

Viola Alwilda, b. Jan. 27, 1883; unm.

Franklin William, b. June 5, 1887; unm.

Elmira Melinda, b. Jan. 3, 1849; m. Mar. 7, 1871, William

Franklin Bridges, b. Aug. 14, 1847, Ontario, Canada;

d. Oct. 26, 1904, Tonkawa, Okla.; farmer, then merchant, Legion of Honor, Rep.; widow res. Tonkawa.

Okla. *Children:*

William Henry, b. Dec. 25, 1872; unm.

John Clinton, b. May 18, 1876; unm.

Clifford Alanson, b. Oct. 8, 1880; d. Mar. 10, 1885.

Nellie May, b. Oct. 20, 1884; d. May 25, 1889.

Satira Jane, b. Jan. 22, 1851; m. Dec. 25, 1872. York, Wis..

William Willingham Bewick, b. June 12, 1844, Madison, Wis.; merchant, Bapt., Prohi.; res. Madison, Wis.  
*Children:*

Clara Alice, b. Jan. 29, 1874; d. Sept. 23, 1905.

Margaret Edith, b. July 11, 1875; m. Geo. W. Britton; farmer, Dep. Sheriff, Rep., Mod. Woodman; res. Sun Prairie, Wis. *Children:*

Ralph B., b. Mar. 9, 1897.

Harold W., b. Jan. 13, 1901; d. Aug., 1904.

Malcolm M., b. Oct. 11, 1905.

Thomas Lyman, b. Apr. 30, 1877.

Grace Beatrice, b. Mar. 8, 1879.

Jessie Rosewood, b. June 17, 1882; d. Feb. 22, 1885.

Wm. Medhurst, b. Dec. 24, 1884.

Clinton Laverne, b. Jan. 23, 1855, York, Wis.; m. Jan. 23, 1878, Melissa Lovica Clark, b. Apr. 12, 1857, dau. of Kendall Peabody Clark and Melissa Lovica Larrabee; farmer, Rep., Presb.; she W. R. C.; res. Fonda, Ia.  
*Children:*

Inda Melissa, b. Dec. 7, 1878.

Mabel Eliza, b. June 1, 1880; m. Ernest Horst.

Willie Clinton, b. Jan. 24, 1883.

Verne Cyrus, b. Mar. 20, 1886.

Clayton Clark, b. Sept. 9, 1895.

Dewey Arthur, b. May 1, 1898.

179 Sophronia<sup>6</sup> Ranney (Lyman<sup>5</sup>, Abner<sup>4</sup>, Richard<sup>3</sup>, John<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>), b. Oct. 16, 1822, Perrysburg, N. Y.; d. Jan. 7, 1905; m. Oct. 29, 1844, Augusta, N. Y., Leander Vaughn, b. Jan. 10, 1822, Smithville, N. Y.; farmer, Rep., Meth.; res. Enid, Okla.

*Children:*

Adella, b. July 29, 1846; d. Feb., 1862.

Clifford Eugene, b. Feb. 26, 1850; res. Sault Ste. Marie, Ontario.

Carrie Augusta, b. Mar. 6, 1858; m. Dec. 25, 1875, Sterling, Ill., Robert Emmet Church, b. Dec. 25, 1853, Portageville, N. Y.; F. & A. M., A. O. U. W., Rep., miller; res. Enid, Okla. *Children:*

Lyman U., b. Aug. 20, 1877; unm.; res. Breckinridge, Minn.

Carrie Adelle, b. Feb. 22, 1879; m. ——— Crawford; res. Lawton, Okla.

Elsie Louise, b. June 19, 1881; unm.

Robert Lee, b. Aug. 9, 1883; unm.; Troop L, 7th U. S. Cav., Fort Oglethorpe, Dodge, Ga.  
L. Gertrude, b. Dec. 28, 1889; unm.

180 Edward Allen<sup>6</sup> Ranney (Lyman<sup>5</sup>, Abner<sup>4</sup>, Richard<sup>3</sup>, John<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>), b. Sept. 7, 1825, Perrysburg, N. Y.; d. May 8, 1867, Tainter, Wis.; m. Mar. 9, 1847, Hartford, Conn., Orpha Bushnell, b. Nov. 3, 1825, Hartland, Conn., dau. of Isaac Bushnell and Orpha Deming; farmer; widow res. Cedar Falls, Ia.

*Children:*

Mary, b. ———; d. infant.

Harmon Eugene, b. Feb. 23, 1849; m. Jan. 4, 1873, Menomonie, Wis., Mary Jane Furbur, b. Nov. 1, 1859, Adams Co., Wis., dau. of Roger Furbur and Mary Ann Adams; farmer, Rep., Meth.; res. Colfax, Wis. *Children:*

Guy Eugene, b. Mar. 9, 1874.

Orpha Bell, b. Jan. 13, 1886.

Carlton Wallace, b. Dec. 2, 1851, Hartford, Conn.; m. Mar. 10, 1887, Sherman, Wis., Rosa Belle Furbur, b. Jan. 10, 1867, Sherman, dau. of Roger Furbur and Mary Ann Adams; farmer, Prohi., Meth., M. W. of A.; res. Cedar Falls, Wis. *Children:*

Lloyd Allen, b. Aug. 13, 1888.

Myrtle May, b. Jan. 31, 1891.

Roger LeRoy, b. July 7, 1893.

Lois Evangeline, b. Jan. 18, 1895.

Mary Angeline, b. Sept. 16, 1899.

Laura Sophronia, b. Aug. 7, 1854, Wis.; m. Nov. 27, 1877, Menomonie, Wis., Byron Pitman Dammon, b. Feb. 23, 1852, Rutland, Wis.; farmer, Town Clerk of Sheridan, Wis., 1880-1881; Chairman Town Supervisors, 1890; Maccabees; res. Woodburn, Ore. *Children:*

Erma Estelle, b. Jan. 22, 1879; unm.

Clifford Byron, b. Nov. 10, 1888; unm.

Edna Abigail, b. May 4, 1892.

Mabel Orpha, b. Sept. 20, ———.

Ada Louisa, b. 1855; d. Nov. 10, 1887; m. Charles C. Bennett. *Child:*

Mabel Ruth, b. July 7, 1873; unm; res. Republic, Washington.

Frank Edward, b. June 19, 1857, Tainter, Wis.; m. 1881, River Falls, Wis., Minnie Jane Bouck, b. 1865, Win-

- nebago Co., Ill., dau. of Lorenzo Dow Bouck and Alta Jane Trask; farmer, Rep., Seventh Day Advent; res. Colfax, Wis. *Children:*  
 Alta May, b. Apr. 8, 1882.  
 Larue Franklin, b. Aug. 19, 1883.  
 Geo. Clinton, b. Sept. 25, 1888.  
 Mildred Mae, b. June 23, 1893.  
 Gladys Irene, b. Feb. 2, 1901.  
 George Burtis, b. May 2, 1864, Tainter, Wis.; m. May 2, 1897, Tainter, Carrie Almedia Danter, b. Dec. 12, 1880, dau. of Thomas Danter and Sophia Amelia Visger; farmer, Rep.; res. Colfax, Wis. *Children:*  
 Eva Viola, b. May 21, 1898.  
 Ada Sophia, b. Feb. 19, 1900.  
 Julia Hannah, b. Mar. 13, 1902.  
 Grace Fern, b. June 29, 1904.  
 Edgar Allen, b. Aug. 16, 1867, Tainter, Wis.; m. Apr. 28, 1897, Tainter, Ellen Hannah Danter, b. Jan. 31, 1874, dau. of Thomas Danter and Sophia Amelia Visger; farmer, Meth., Rep.; res. Wheeler, Wis. *Children:*  
 Agnes Laura, b. Aug. 12, 1898.  
 Elsie Fay, b. Nov. 17, 1899.  
 Ruth Hazel, b. Jan. 24, 1902.  
 \* Nellie May, b. Apr. 29, 1903.

181 Diana<sup>6</sup> Ranney (Lyman<sup>5</sup>, Abner<sup>4</sup>, Richard<sup>3</sup>, John<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>), b. 1831; d. 1854; m. ———, John Eckels, b. July 20, 1814, Harrisburg, Pa.; cooper, Rep.

*Children:*

- Ransom, b. May 20, 1849, Allegan Co., Mich.; m. May 14, 1886, Grand Haven, Mich., Viola Schoonover, b. Mar. 24, 1860, Addison, N. Y., dau. of B. Schoonover and Louisa Gee; shingle manufacturer, Rep., F. & A. M., O. E. S., I. O. O. F., B. P. O. E.; res. Arlington, Wash. *Child:*  
 Hilda May, b. Oct. 11, 1900.  
 Louisa, b. ———; m. Abraham Givins.

182 Warren Ezrum<sup>6</sup> Ranney (Lyman<sup>5</sup>, Abner<sup>4</sup>, Richard<sup>3</sup>, John<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>), b. Mar. 14, 1838, Perrysburgh, N. Y.; m. July 21, 1864, West Portland, Wis., Eveline Elizabeth Linderman, b. Jan. 21, 1844, West Portland, Wis.; d. May 4, 1897,<sup>6</sup> Burlington, Kan.; dau. of Stephen Linderman and Charlotte

Rue; farmer and engineer; Corp. Co. C, 11th Reg. Wis. Vols., Sept., 1861—Aug. 18, 1863; Rep., Meth., G. A. R.; res. Wray, Colorado.

*Children:*

Hiram Elder, b. Sept. 6, 1866, W. Portland, Wis.; m. Feb. 10, 1889, Burlington, Kan., Viola Catherine Lanning, b. Dec. 25, 1869, Lowry, Mo., dau. of Joseph Mayberry Lanning and Matilda Helen Dean, expert accountant, lumberman, printer and editor, Dem., enrollment clerk of La. Senate, K. of H.; res. Springfield, La. *Children:*

Harry Lee, b. Dec. 20, 1889.

Carl Albert, b. July 11, 1893.

Marion Elmer, b. Feb. 5, 1898; d. Dec. 17, 1899.

Walter Eugene, b. Dec. 30, 1903.

Charles Dexter, b. June 21, 1868, York, Wis.; m. Aug. 8, 1892, Galena, Ill., Anna Sophia Young, b. Nov. 8, 1870, Galena, dau. of Christian Young and Sophia Dublin; tinsmith, Rep., Cong.; res. Chicago, Ill.

*Children:*

Ethel Fay, b. Feb. 4, 1896; d. Sept. 5, 1898.

Charles David, b. June 18, 1899; d. June 18, 1899.

Vera Evelyn, b. Dec. 16, 1900.

Oscar Minor, b. Nov. 7, 1870, Fenton, Ia.; m. Nov. 8, 1899, Burlington, Kan., Docia Dodd, b. July 14, 1870, dau. of Ennis K. Dodd and Mary L. Brocan; harness maker, Rep., Meth., 32° Masonry; d. July 1, 1906; no children.

Fred Warren, b. Sept. 25, 1877; res. Parsons, Kans.

183 Dewitt Clinton<sup>6</sup> Ranney (Lyman<sup>5</sup>, Abner<sup>4</sup>, Richard<sup>3</sup>, John<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>), b. May 22, 1840, Perrysburg, N. Y.; m. June 6, 1864, New Albion, N. Y., Mary Ann (Wood) Clark, b. Mar. 21, 1844, Hanover, N. Y., dau. of Jason Wood and Hannah Featherby, and widow of James Madison Clark, of Co. C, 64th N. Y. Vols. At the age of five weeks Mr. Ranney was taken from his mother's grave, and adopted by Andrew Keyes. For over forty years he knew nothing of his relatives. He enlisted in 1863, but did not pass the medical examination; farmer at Hastings, Mich, where he d. Nov. 17, 1906; widow res. there.

*Children:*

George D., b. Apr. 5, 1868; res. Cincinnati, O.

Maud Josephine, b. Jan. 28, 1874; m. Clarence F. Brown; res. Ithaca, N. Y.

Ada Blanche, b. May 28, 1881; m. May 30, 1899, Claude Eugene Booth; res. Kalamazoo, Mich. *Child*:  
George D., b. June 27, 1900.

184 Caroline Celinda<sup>6</sup> Ranney (Lyman<sup>5</sup>, Abner<sup>4</sup>, Richard<sup>3</sup>, John<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>), b. Nov. 9, 1841, Perrysburg, N. Y.; m. Nov. 4, 1860, Silver Creek, Chautauqua Co., N. Y., James Albert Gran- tier, b. Sept. 19, 1832, Argusville, N. Y.; farmer, Dem.; res. Forestville, N. Y. *Children*:

*Children*:

Morrell Edgar, b. Sept. 22, 1863; m. Sept. 11, 1888, James- town, N. Y., Helen Isabel Gage, b. Nov. 2, 1867, Smith Mills, N. Y., dau. of Judson Gage and Amelia Pope; farmer; res. Dunkirk, N. Y. *Child*:

Alice, b. July 25, 1891; d. Apr. 29, 1892.

Alvin Allen, b. Dec. 16, 1871; unm.; res. Forestville, N. Y.

Irwin Norton, b. Aug. 31, 1875, Villanova, N. Y.; m. Oct. 26, 1898, Alice May Perkins, b. June 27, 1881, Vil- lanova, dau. of Dennis Perkins and Mary Elizabeth Danker; farmer, Rep., I. O. O. F.; res. Forestville, N. Y. *Children*:

Martin Lewis, b. May 28, 1899.

Blanch Isabel, b. Oct. 12, 1900.

185 Justin Worthy<sup>6</sup> Ranney (Eli<sup>5</sup>, Abner<sup>4</sup>, Richard<sup>3</sup>, John<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>), b. Jan. 3, 1821, Augusta, N. Y.; m. Dec. 30, 1849, Elizabeth Quackenbush, b. Mar. 25, 1825, Stockbridge, N. Y., dau. of John Quackenbush, who d. Nov. 19, 1881, West Salem, Wis.; farmer, Rep., Cong. Ch.; d. Sept. 13, 1898, West Salem, Wisconsin.

*Children*:

Clara M., b. Mar. 4, 1851; d. June 12, 1877.

Cassius M., b. Mar. 9, 1855; unm.

Edwin H., b. Nov. 15, 1858; d. Feb. 25, 1876.

Mary E., b. Feb. 18, 1864; d. June 15, 1885.

Minnie L., b. Feb. 18, 1864; d. Sept. 3, 1864.

Jay Worthy, b. July 22, 1870, West Salem, Wis.; m. Dec. 31, 1898, Stella B. Smith, b. May 3, 1873, West Salem, dau. of Franklin B. Smith and C. Best; farmer, Rep.; res. West Salem, Wis. *Children*:

Edna Elizabeth, b. Mar. 25, 1900.

Franklin Justin, b. Apr. 25, 1903.

186 Harmon<sup>6</sup> Ranney (Eli<sup>5</sup>, Abner<sup>4</sup>, Richard<sup>3</sup>, John<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>), b. June 27, 1823, Brooklyn, Wis.; m. Lucy Ann Smith, b. 1837, d. Apr., 1890, Mitchel Gulch, Montana. He farmer, Catholic at death, Aug. 24, 1900, Shelby, Mont.

*Children:*

- 395 Lovisa Jane, b. 1854.  
 396 Sarah Janette, b. Feb. 17, 1856.  
 397 Flora Ann, b. Feb. 17, 1860.  
     Mary Evaline, b. May 24, 1862; d. May 12, 1879; m.  
     Nov. 25, 1877, Duane Francis Doggett.  
     Charles Francis, b. ————.  
 398 George Frederick, b. May 12, 1871.  
 399 Rosetta Ida, b. May 6, 1874.

187 Nancy Jane<sup>6</sup> Ranney (Eli<sup>5</sup>, Abner<sup>4</sup>, Richard<sup>3</sup>, John<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>), b. Nov. 12, 1826, Augusta, N. Y.; m. Sept. 6, 1848, Gowanda, N. Y., Nathaniel Hurd Miner, b. Aug. 14, 1825, Perrysburg, N. Y., d. Jan. 7, 1905, Emerson, Ia.; farmer, Rep., Meth.; widow, res. Emerson, Ia.

*Children:*

- Homer George, b. July 29, 1849; d. Sept. 19, 1882; m.  
     Aug., 1881, Octavia Adaline Collings, b. Jan. 21, 1861,  
     Oklahoma; d. Feb. 22, 1886; res. Apache, Okla. *Child:*  
     Minnie Adaline, b. Aug. 5, 1882.  
 Mary Isabel, b. July 25, 1852; d. Nov. 30, 1892; m. Silas  
     Parks Taylor, who res. Auburn, Ia. *Children:*  
     Eva M.  
     Harry D.  
     Floyd H.  
     John W.  
 Martha Jane, b. Apr. 12, 1856; unm; res. Emerson, Ia.  
 Lydia Ann, b. Aug. 7, 1869; m. William Louis Lloyd; res.  
     Emerson, Ia. *Children:*  
     John Raymond, b. Apr. 6, 1893.  
     Mary Elvira, b. Apr. 11, 1898.

188 Julius Cæsar<sup>6</sup> Ranney (Eli<sup>5</sup>, Abner<sup>4</sup>, Richard<sup>3</sup>, John<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>), b. Feb. 20, 1829, Augusta, N. Y.; m. Aug. 29, 1849, Dayton, N. Y., Nancy Maria Milk, dau. of Luke Milk and Saloma Adams, shoemaker; d. May 8, 1906, Maynard, Iowa.

*Children:*

- 400 Luke, b. July 30, 1850.  
 401 Nathan Arms, b. Aug. 27, 1853.

- Benj. Franklin, b. Apr. 7, 1856; d. unm., Mar. 7, 1884.  
 402 Alfred Herrick, b. Oct. 3, 1858.  
 Henry, b. Apr. 21, 1861; d. Dec. 14, 1865.  
 403 Hermon, b. July 8, 1863.  
 404 Saloma Evaline, b. Nov. 22, 1867.  
 405 Justine Warren, b. Dec. 8, 1870.

189 Lovisa<sup>6</sup> Ranney (Eli<sup>5</sup>, Abner<sup>4</sup>, Richard<sup>3</sup>, John<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>),  
 b. Aug. 21, 1831, Augusta, N. Y.; m. Dec. 17, 1851, Gowanda,  
 N. Y., De Witt Clinton Brand, b. June 27, 1824, Erie Co., N. Y.;  
 farmer, Rep., United Brethren Ch.; rem. 1854 to Indianola, Ia.;  
 res. there.

*Children:*

- 406 Alice Serizah, b. Nov. 20, 1852; m. H. D. Brown.  
 407 Sarah Evaline, b. Jan. 28, 1857; m. J. M. Lehman.  
 Frances Delinda, b. Mar. 17, 1859; d. Jan. 11, 1860.  
 408 George Clinton, b. Feb. 24, 1861.  
 409 Minnie Louisa, b. May 28, 1865; m. Wm. Peverly.  
 Warren David, b. May 1, 1867; unm.  
 410 Mary Jane, b. Apr. 6, 1869; m. Wm. Comer.  
 411 Carrie Elizabeth, b. Mar. 19, 1871; m. Feb. 23, 1890.  
 Clifton Hall; 3 children; res. Indianola.  
 Nellie Eliza, b. July 23, 1873; m. Mar. 8, 1905, John R.  
 Lundy, Pres. of Bank of Spring Hill, Ia.; Dem., F.  
 & A. M., I. O. O. F., M. W. A.; res. Spring Hill, Ia.

190 Frank Eli<sup>6</sup> Ranney (Eli<sup>5</sup>, Abner<sup>4</sup>, Richard<sup>3</sup>, John<sup>2</sup>,  
 Thomas<sup>1</sup>), b. Sept. 25, 1837, Augusta, N. Y.; m. Mar. 1, 1859,  
 Perrysburg, N. Y., Adelaide Lovina Wells, b. Feb. 26, 1841, Day-  
 ton, N. Y., dau. of William Wells (b. Mar. 7, 1810, Sangerfield,  
 N. Y.), and Mary Jane Ellis, b. June 22, 1822, Tioga Co., N. Y.;  
 Corporal Co. G, 10th Iowa Inf., Sept. 2, 1862—May 28, 1865, in  
 many battles; Rep., Meth., A. O. U. W., farmer; rem. 1844, to  
 Perrysburg, N. Y., 1853, to Iowa; 1865, to West Perrysburg,  
 N. Y., where they reside.

*Children:*

- 412 Charles Clinton, b. May 3, 1860.  
 413 Frank Millard, b. Sept. 12, 1861.  
 William Wells, b. Mar. 7, 1869; unm.  
 George Ellis, b. Mar. 19, 1870; m. July 16, 1892, Emma  
 Dawley; farmer, Rep., Meth.; res. Perrysburg, N. Y.  
 Grace Eva, b. Jan. 3, 1874; m. Dec. 24, 1891, Orten Wa-  
 trous; farmer, Rep.; res. Perrysburg, N. Y. *Child:*  
 Ray Orton, b. Mar. 7, 1900.



191 Elizabeth Evelyn<sup>6</sup> Ranney (Eli<sup>5</sup>, Abner<sup>4</sup>, Richard<sup>3</sup>, John<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>), b. July 9, 1840, Augusta, N. Y.; d. Jan. 12, 1892, Colfax, Ia.; m. Sept. 10, 1857, Warren Co., Ia., Alfred Francis, b. May 19, 1827, Erie Co., N. Y.; Corporal Co. G, 3d Iowa Inf., May 8, 1861—June 24, 1864, in many battles; retired farmer, Rep., Meth., G. A. R.; res. Spring Hill, Iowa.

*Children:*

Cadwin Eli, b. Mar. 29, 1865; m. Aug. 25, 1897, Lydia Emma Amburg; res. Valeria, Iowa. *Children:*  
 Irene Viola, b. Feb. 22, 1899.  
 Mabel Elizabeth, b. Sept. 11, 1901.  
 Justin Simon, b. Nov. 25, 1870; d. Apr. 6, 1884.

192 Helen Amelia<sup>6</sup> Ranney (Eli<sup>5</sup>, Abner<sup>4</sup>, Richard<sup>3</sup>, John<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>), b. Oct. 31, 1847, Perrysburg, N. Y.; m. Mar. 10, 1867, West Plain, Ia., Lewis Smith Kennedy, b. June 19, 1837, Washington Co., Pa.; d. Feb. 16, 1906; farmer, Rep., Friends Ch.; Second Sergeant Co. M, 2d Nebraska Cav., May 24, 1863—Dec. 23, 1863; wounded in right arm Sept. 3, 1863; widow res. Norwalk, Ia.

*Children:*

Charles Francis, b. Nov. 25, 1869; m. Jan. 11, 1899, Nettie Turner; res. Norwalk, Ia. *Children:*  
 Earl, b. Nov. 8, 1899.  
 Bessie, b. Aug. 11, 1901.  
 Elsie, b. Mar. 14, 1903.  
 Edith, b. June 12, 1905.  
 John Frederick, b. Mar. 13, 1875; m. Dec. 22, 1898, Stella Brubacker; res. Orillia, Ia. *Children:*  
 Helen Sophia, b. Aug. 11, 1899.  
 Stella Rose, b. Apr. 2, 1901; d. Apr. 29, 1901.  
 Mabel Teresa, b. Feb. 3, 1903.  
 John Thomas, b. Nov. 13, 1905.

193 Rebecca<sup>6</sup> Ranney (Joseph<sup>5</sup>, Fletcher<sup>4</sup>, Joseph<sup>3</sup>, Joseph<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>), b. Sept. 24, 1780, Upper Houses; m. (1) Nov., 1801, John Edwards, bapt. Aug. 10, 1775, son of Churchill<sup>6</sup> Edwards (Churchill<sup>5</sup>, David<sup>4</sup>), and Lucy Eells, dau. of Rev. Edward Eells. He d. 1803, in the West Indies. She m. (2) May 15, 1810, Captain Thomas White, b. June 10, 1773, Upper Houses; shipmaster, d. Sept. 13, 1819. She d. May 4, 1871.

*Children by 1st marriage:*

Emeline, b. ———; m. Aug. 3, 1823, Roderick Stocking.

*Children by 2d marriage:*

Catherine L., b. July 9, 1811; d. unm., Oct. 15, 1833.

Ruth, b. June 6, 1813; d. Sept. 10, 1856; m. Sept. 19, 1839, Edmund Beaumont. He d. July 13, 1872. *Children:*

William, b. Jan. 19, 1855; d. Jan. 21, 1855.

Thomas White, b. Sept. 3, 1856; m. Sept. 30, 1880, Jane Hanmer, postmaster, Cromwell, Conn.

Clarissa, b. July, 1815; d. Aug. 8, 1815.

Augusta, b. Jan. 1, 1821; d. unm., Aug. 28, 1897.

194 Moses<sup>6</sup> Ranney (Joseph<sup>5</sup>, Fletcher<sup>4</sup>, Joseph<sup>3</sup>, Joseph<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>), b. Dec. 22, 1785, Upper Houses; m. Mar. 7, 1807, Elizabeth Gilchrist Ranney, b. Aug. 16, 1786, dau. of Samuel Ward<sup>6</sup> Ranney. He was a hatter in Middletown, baptized by immersion by the Episcopal rector, Jan. 27, 1812, and d. Feb. 9, 1812. Raised in St. John's Lodge, Apr. 11, 1810. Widow rem. 1830, to Cincinnati, O., and d. Sept. 7, 1859, at Spartansburg, Indiana.

*Children:*

414 Mary, b. Aug. 2, 1807; m. John Hough.

415 Henry Joseph, b. 1809.

416 Moses, b. June, 1811.

195 Calvin<sup>6</sup> Ranney (Joseph<sup>5</sup>, Fletcher<sup>4</sup>, Joseph<sup>3</sup>, Joseph<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>), b. Apr. 15, 1791, Upper Houses; m. (1) ———. Mary<sup>5</sup> Sage, b. ———, 1784; d. ———; dau. of Timothy<sup>4</sup> Sage (Timothy<sup>3</sup>, Timothy<sup>2</sup>, David<sup>1</sup>); she d. ———; m. (2) Apr. 7, 1815, Clarissa S. Williams, who d. Aug. 11, 1825. He d. Aug. 16, 1818, Upper Houses.

*Child by 2d marriage:*

417 Asa Sage, bapt. Oct. 3, 1817.

196 Norman<sup>6</sup> Ranney (Joseph<sup>5</sup>, Fletcher<sup>4</sup>, Joseph<sup>3</sup>, Joseph<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>), b. Apr. 22, 1793, Upper Houses; m. Nov. 15, 1820, Southington, Conn., Mary B. Wilcox. He d. Oct. 9, 1825. She m. (2) Nov. 12, 1837, Benjamin Barnes of Southington. They resided Upper Houses. She d. Feb. 4, 1875, aged 77 years. He d. Sept. 26, 1843, aged 38 years.

*Children by 1st marriage:*

418 Polinda Eliza, b. Aug. 21, 1821; m. Samuel Wilson Lee Clark.

Jane Wilcox, b. ———; d. unm., Oct. 12, 1847.

197 Martin<sup>6</sup> Ranney (Simeon<sup>5</sup>, Fletcher<sup>4</sup>, Joseph<sup>3</sup>, Joseph<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>), bapt. June 19, 1788, Upper Houses; m. Aug. 7, 1812, Harriet Hall Bound, b. July 25, 1795, Greenfield, Mass., dau. of Ephraim Bound (b. Jan. 14, 1773), and Sarah Francis (b. Sept. 9, 1769). Mr. Bound had come to Middletown to reside. He had two daughters. "The two daughters of Ephraim Bound were acknowledged beauties in their day, being queenly and stately, and having classical features and figures, invariably attracting admiring attention wherever they appeared." Martin Ranney died Sept. 10, 1812, only a month after marriage. On Sept. 25, 1815, the widow married James K. Frothingham of Charlestown, Mass. The probate record shows: coffin, \$5.25; tolling bell, 50 cents; digging grave, \$2.00; attendance on hearse, 38 cents; gravestone, \$10.10; paid his sub. to Baptist meeting house, \$8.00. It did not cost much to die in those days. Served in War of 1812, Aug. 18, 1814 to Oct. 25, 1814, under Capt. Isaac Webber.

*Child:*

Harriet M., b. Feb., 1813. Posthumous.

198 Horace<sup>6</sup> Ranney (William<sup>5</sup>, Fletcher<sup>4</sup>, Joseph<sup>3</sup>, Joseph<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>), bapt. Oct. 28, 1791, Upper Houses; m. Ruth Tuell, b. Middletown; farmer and shoe mfr., Winsted, Berlin, and Upper Houses; raised in St. John's Lodge, Feb. 27, 1827; d. Aug. 7, 1834; she d. Mar. 4, 1875.

*Children:*

Martin L., b. July 26, 1814; d. 1848, Vicksburg, Miss.

Horace, b. July 21, 1816; d. unm., 1870, St. Louis, Mo. Left much property to charitable and church purposes.

Julia Ann, b. Aug. 11, 1818; d. June 17, 1856; m. Horace Higby.

419 Edwin Hiram, b. Sept. 11, 1820.

420 Henry W., b. Oct. 15, 1822.

Alexander, b. ———; d. Oct. 2, 1826.

199 William<sup>6</sup> Ranney (William<sup>5</sup>, Fletcher<sup>4</sup>, Joseph<sup>3</sup>, Joseph<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>), bapt. June 9, 1793, Upper Houses; m. Elizabeth

Bailey, b. 1790, Middle Haddam, Conn.; farmer. Dem.; d. Feb. 23, 1844; she d. May 18, 1878. Their son, Zenas Edwards, erected the costly monument seen herewith.

*Children:*

- 421 Martha, b. June 1, 1817; m. S. J. Baisden.  
Charles, b. Dec. 10, 1818; d. unm., Aug. 7, 1857, California.
- 422 Timothy, b. Jan. 21, 1821.  
Titus, b. Sept. 5, 1823; d. Sept. 16, 1828.
- 423 Benjamin, b. June 3, 1825.  
Geo. C., b. Apr. 11, 1827; rem. to California.
- 424 Zenas Edwards, b. Jan. 28, 1829.  
William H., b. June 3, 1831; drowned Dec. 25, 1841.  
Andrew J., b. Oct. 26, 1833; d. unm., Oct. 29, 1871.  
Titus, b. May 15, 1836; rem. to California.  
Joseph, b. Mar. 14, 1840; d. Aug. 15, 1840.

200 George<sup>6</sup> Ranney (William<sup>5</sup>, Fletcher<sup>4</sup>, Joseph<sup>3</sup>, Joseph<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>), bapt. July 26, 1795, Upper Houses; m. Dec. 6, 1821, Upper Houses, Alma White, b. July 18, 1797, Upper Houses, dau. of John White and Ruth Ranney (see the White family); mfr. boots and shoes; he d. May 16, 1842; she d. May 20, 1877.

*Children:*

- 425 William Keith, b. Nov. 1, 1822.
- 426 Almira Maria, b. Nov. 1, 1824.
- 427 Samuel B., b. Nov. 6, 1827.

201 Sarah<sup>6</sup> Ranney (William<sup>5</sup>, Fletcher<sup>4</sup>, Joseph<sup>3</sup>, Joseph<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>), bapt. Apr. 10, 1797, Upper Houses; m. Oct. 28, 1821, Archibald Kinney, b. Oct. 24, 1794, Union, Conn., son of Joel Kinney and Chloe Coye; teacher, farmer, Dem., Epis.; d. Mar. 11, 1867, Suffield, Conn.; she d. Jan. 29, 1890.

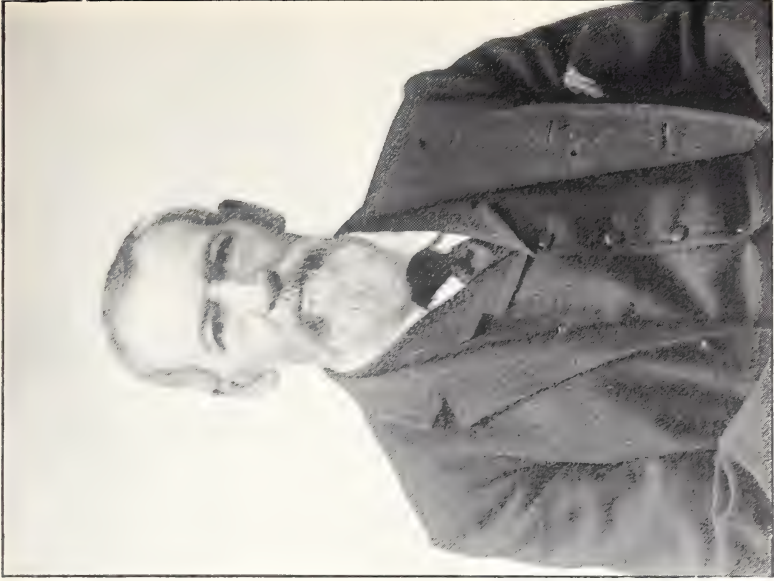
*Children:*

- Timothy William, b. July 22, 1822.  
Sarah Olive, b. Aug. 13, 1826.  
Elizabeth Coye, b. June 16, 1828; d. May 20, 1838.

202 Henry<sup>6</sup> Ranney (William<sup>5</sup>, Fletcher<sup>4</sup>, Joseph<sup>3</sup>, Joseph<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>), b. May 5, 1804, Upper Houses; m. \_\_\_\_\_ Middlefield, Conn., Mary Bivens, b. May 17, 1806; farmer, Dem., Bapt. Deacon; he d. Aug. 10, 1862; she d. Apr. 10, 1891.



ROYAL GILBERT RANNEY  
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NATHAN CORNELIUS RANNEY  
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WILLIAM W. RANNEY  
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WILLIAM RANNEY, ARTIST  
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*Children:*

- Benjamin, b. Mar. 29, 1827; d. young.  
 Caroline, b. Apr. 26, 1830; d. young.  
 428 Mary Melissa, b. Oct. 6, 1832; m. E. R. Blinn.  
 429 Caroline Hamlin, b. Feb. 19, 1836; m. R. B. Hale.  
 430 Benjamin Henry, b. Feb. 3, 1840.

203 Joseph<sup>6</sup> Ranney (William<sup>5</sup>, Fletcher<sup>4</sup>, Joseph<sup>3</sup>, Joseph<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>), b. Aug. 20, 1807, Upper Houses; m. Jan. 1, 1834, Cleveland, O., Lucenia Fox, b. Sept. 24, 1807, Leroy, N. Y.; shoe dealer, Rochester, N. Y., Cleveland, O.; Bapt.; he d. Aug. 4, 1873; she d. 1885, Cleveland, O.

*Children:*

- Mary, b. Feb. 22, 1837; d. Dec. 21, 1873.  
 Sarah Kinney, b. Dec. 14, 1847; unm.; res. Cleveland, O.  
 William, b. May 23, 1849; d. July 15, 1851.  
 204 William W.<sup>6</sup> Ranney (Charles<sup>5</sup>, Hezekiah<sup>4</sup>, Joseph<sup>3</sup>, Joseph<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>), b. Sept. 5, 1805; m. July 4, 1827, Boston, Mass., Susan C. Clark, b. Dec. 16, 1806, Boston; d. June 28, 1870; dau. of Daniel Clark and Susanna Clow; he d. Mar. 5, 1852, Livermore, Ky. His portrait is given herewith. He was induced by his brother, James Stow, to give up a good business in Newburyport, Mass., and "make a sylvan home for himself and family" in Kentucky. The story is related by his son, William W.

"This my father was inclined to do, and so, about May, 1839, we all left our Massachusetts home for what was then called the Great West. After many vicissitudes, and about thirty days' travel, we arrived at Owensboro, a place of about five hundred inhabitants. There we found teams and 'vehicles' to convey us twenty miles to our new Woodland home. From Boston to Providence, R. I., we traveled on a railroad, the cars being something like our present day country omnibuses. At Providence we took passage for New York on the good steamer *Lexington*, which, later, was burned, causing the death of several hundred passengers. From New York we went up the Hudson to Albany, and there took the cars for Schenectady, the terminus of the railroad. Thence we went by canal to Buffalo. From Buffalo to Cleveland we sailed on the steamer *Swiftsure*, having a cargo consisting largely of turpentine and rosin. The boat caught fire, and, while we were badly frightened, the fire was put out with little damage. We then went south by canal, through the dense Ohio woods, to Portsmouth, on the Ohio River, and boarded the *Monsoon*, a new boat making her first trip to New Orleans.

Stuck on a sandbar at Flint Island, and all the passengers went ashore, the merchandise was put on barges, and, by throwing a lot of bacon in the fires, extra steam was gotten up, and, after two days, we made a start. Now as to 'vehicles.' A large black gum tree had been cut down, measuring three feet in diameter. This was sawed off for wheels, about eight inches in thickness, dressed down to three inches on the outside, leaving what might be called a hub in the center, four inches in diameter, to receive the axle of wood. On this was built the body which held our goods, called by the people 'plunder.' An old fashioned road wagon, with a body as crooked as a rainbow, carried the family, and on we went creakety creak, creakety creak, to our place of destination."

*Children:*

- William W., b. May 21, 1828; d. Sept. 27, 1828.  
 Susan Clark, b. Sept. 16, 1829; d. Feb. 10, 1830.  
 431 William W., b. Nov. 29, 1830.  
 George, b. Aug. 13, 1832; d. Jan. 31, 1838.  
 432 Susan Clark, b. Aug. 13, 1834; m. A. J. Atherton.  
 433 Isabella, b. Mar. 10, 1837.  
 434 George, b. July 24, 1839.  
 Charles James, b. June 6, 1842; d. Sept. 30, 1851.  
 Maria Serena, b. Dec. 27, 1844; d. Jan. 8, 1845.  
 Maria Serena, b. Apr. 10, 1846. Is a nurse. Has taken a deep interest in the work of the Society of Middletown Upper Houses. Res. Austin, Minn.

205 Abigail<sup>6</sup> Ranney (Charles<sup>5</sup>, Hezekiah<sup>4</sup>, Joseph<sup>3</sup>, Joseph<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>), b. June 15, 1810, Lansingburg, N. Y.; d. Apr. 1, 1874, Waterford, N. Y.; m. Aug. 24, 1835, Waterford, N. Y., Lysanda Button, b. Sept. 2, 1810, North Haven, Conn.; d. July 29, 1898, Cohoes, N. Y.; Presb. Elder for over fifty years; mfr. of hand and fire engines and apparatus.

*Children:*

- Mary Josephine, b. June 18, 1836; d. June 22, 1858.  
 Eliza, b. Jan. 14, 1841; m. George H. Page. Res. Cohoes, N. Y.  
 Theodore Edwin, b. Dec. 16, 1844; d. Feb. 22, 1905.  
 Julia Mead, b. June 22, 1846; d. Aug. 20, 1877.  
 Charles Ranney, b. Apr. 21, 1852. Presby. elder. Res. Waterford, N. Y.

206 James Stow<sup>6</sup> Ranney (Charles<sup>5</sup>, Hezekiah<sup>4</sup>, Joseph<sup>3</sup>, Jo-



seph<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>), b. July 15, 1812, Albany, N. Y.; m. Feb. 9, 1842, Livermore, Ky., Hettie Jane Atherton, b. Aug. 15, 1827, Livermore, Ky.; d. Nov. 28, 1863, Select, Ky.; dau. of William Atherton. He was a carpenter, farmer, Dem.; d. Nov. 25, 1890, Select, Ky.

*Children:*

- Lelia, b. Oct. 23, 1843; d. Mar. 25, 1844.  
 Seth P., b. Apr. 24, 1845; m. ————. Res. Cromwell, Ky.  
 John, b. July 15, 1847; d. Feb. 10, 1849.  
 Lelia Susan, b. Sept. 10, 1849; m. ————.  
 Mary Ann, b. Aug. 23, 1851; m. ————.  
 Sarah Mehitable, b. Aug. 24, 1851; m. ————.  
 Lydia Sophia, b. June 27, 1857; m. ————.  
 439 Charles William, b. Feb. 28, 1860.  
 John J., b. May 7, 1863; d. Jan. 5, 1864.

207 Jabez<sup>6</sup> Ranney (Hezekiah<sup>5</sup>, Hezekiah<sup>4</sup>, Joseph<sup>3</sup>, Joseph<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>), b. Aug. 15, 1799, Upper Houses; m. Mar. 3, 1824, Troy, N. Y., Rheny Packard, b. ————, d. ————, dau. of Timothy and Aholibamah Packard. He resided in Rochester and Geneseo, N. Y., as a merchant many years. He rem. 1883 to Howell, Mich., passing most of his time with his daughter, Mrs. Dr. Wells; Methodist, F. & A. M.; d. Feb. 8, 1888.

*Children:*

- 440 Julia Maria, b. Feb. 9, 1825; m. Dr. Wm. L. Wells.  
 441 Harriet Cornelia, b. Nov. 25, 1827; m. Milo Lee Gay.  
 Infant, b. 1830; d. unmarried.  
 442 Julius Augustus, b. Aug. 23, 1831.  
 Emily Jane, b. Aug. 20, 1834.  
 442 Jennie Mary, b. Nov. 30, 1836; m. Wm. McPherson, Jr.  
 444 Frank George, b. Apr. 9, 1838.  
 Frederic Lima, b. Mar. 22, 1840; d. Feb. 23, 1841.  
 445 Frederick Packard, b. Oct. 24, 1844.  
 Infant, b. June, 1851; d. unnamed.

209 Rev. Roderick Hartshorn<sup>6</sup> Ranney (Roderick<sup>5</sup>, Hezekiah<sup>4</sup>, Joseph<sup>3</sup>, Joseph<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>), b. 1806, Salem, N. Y.; m. Dec. 29, 1842, Clinton, La., Malvina Mills, b. Apr. 22, 1822, Frelighsburgh, Canada, dau. of Captain John Mills, of British Army in War of 1812. The widow resides in Yoakum, Texas. He d. Oct. 1, 1877, Galveston, Texas. He was ordained Oct. 11, 1835, by the Rt. Rev. B. T. Onderdonk, of the Diocese of New York. The compiler of this volume, finding his name in the Episcopal Al-

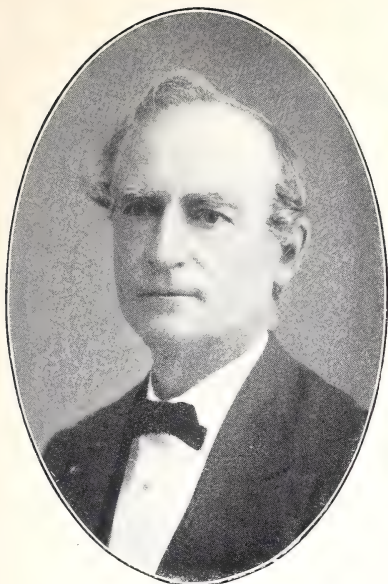
manac, addressed him, and obtained replies in 1873 and 1875, from which I quote: "My grandfather Hezekiah, sometime taught school, as I chanced to learn by an incident he related of having flogged (for using disrespectful language to an old man, as they were taking a sleighride past the house at night) six young men, his pupils larger than himself; for in those days the teacher was held responsible for the pupils' conduct at all times and all places. The parents heard their sons were to be flogged the third day, and came to see him, saying, "You are not able to do it, and will get flogged yourself." 'Well, I'll try it,' was his answer. 'No,' they said, 'we have contrived for you. We will keep four of them home to-morrow, and send two whom you can flog, and so also on the two succeeding days.' A few days after having been flogged, these same young men, feeling the necessity of progressing faster in their studies, came to him with the request that he would give them evening lessons 'for a consideration.'"

Speaking of himself, he writes, 1873: "My life has been checkered, sometimes in charge of a church, sometimes engaged in teaching and working gratis for the church, as I have generally done. For five years president of the college in Baton Rouge, La. Have been in Texas since 1857, out of duty; cast off, as it were, by the church, and at the age of 67 building with my own hands a house to live in. Perhaps I should mention that I resided in Guadalupe County, Texas, during the Rebellion, would not use the Rebel prayers ordered by the bishop; prayed, not for 'the President of the United States,' but for 'the Chief Magistrate of our Country.' Some said I ought to be hanged, but I was on too intimate terms with some of the most influential Rebels to be in much danger."

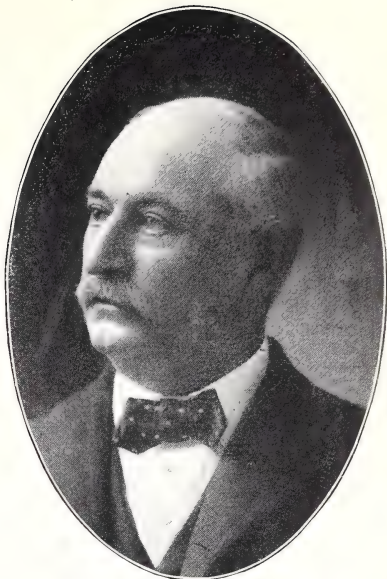
*Children:*

- Sarah Eliza, b. Dec. 26, 1843, Illinois; m. — Woodall.  
Res. Yoakum, Texas.
- Frederick Danforth, b. Oct. 23, 1846, Mississippi; unm.;  
in business San Antonio, Texas.
- Emily Sprague, b. Nov. 27, 1849, Louisiana; d. Jan. 16,  
1892, San Marco, Texas.
- Matthias Guy, b. Aug. 9, 1857, Texas; m.; in business San  
Antonio, Texas.

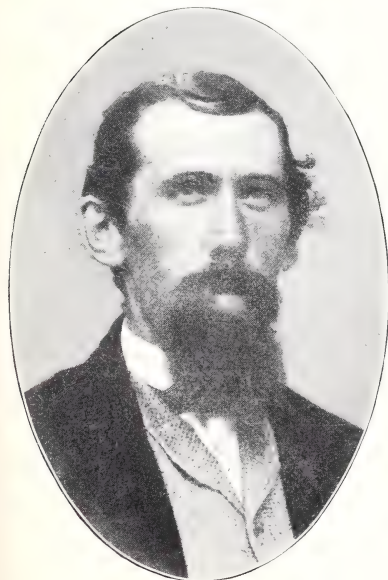
210 Jacob Lansing<sup>6</sup> Ranney (Roderick<sup>5</sup>, Hezekiah<sup>4</sup>, Joseph<sup>3</sup>, Joseph<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>), b. Apr. 26, 1807, Salem, N. Y.; m. Mar. 3, 1835, Christian Chisholm, b. Apr. 19, 1811, Canada; d. Jan. 31, 1888, Chicago, Ill.; dau. of William Chisholm, of the Chisholms of



REV. JOSEPH ADDISON RANNEY  
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JOSEPH ADDISON RANNEY  
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CLIFFORD IRA RANNEY  
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WALTER ROY RANNEY  
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DAVID GARDNER RANNEY  
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GEORGE HENRY RANNEY  
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WILLIS RANNEY



ALFRED GARDNER RANNEY

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Inverness, Scotland, and Rejoice Remington of Conn. He engaged in business in Canada, went in 1837 to Geneseo N. Y., to Michigan in 1843, to Northfield, Ill., in 1847, where he was town clerk; d. Apr. 1, 1860, Northfield, Ill.

*Children:*

- Roderick Lansing, b. Nov. 28, 1835, Canada; unm.; held various offices in Northfield; res. Chicago.  
 Mary Ann, b. May 31, 1837, Canada; unm.; d. Dec. 18, 1896.  
 William Chisholm, b. July 11, 1839, New York; d. Nov. 24, 1843, Michigan.  
 Julia Isabel, b. Feb. 22, 1849, Northfield, Ill.; unm.; res. Chicago.  
 Harriet Augusta, b. Feb. 17, 1853; unm.; grad. 1872 Chicago Normal School; has taught in the same school since then, being head assistant since 1885; res. Chicago.

211 David Gardner<sup>6</sup> Ranney (David Stocking<sup>5</sup>, Hezekiah<sup>4</sup>, Joseph<sup>3</sup>, Joseph<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>). b. Feb. 2, 1816, Boston, Mass.; m. (1) Jan. 20, 1846, Boston, Sarah Eliza Curtis, b. Sept. 7, 1823, Boston; d. Nov. 14, 1855, Boston; dau. of Thomas D. and Eliza Curtis; m. (2) Sarah Rebecca Peck, b. Jan. 10, 1825, Boston; d. Dec. 26, 1904; dau. of Thomas Peck. He d. Jan. 29, 1882. He was one of the "Franklin Medal Scholars," from a fund given by Benjamin Franklin to be used for "Medals to scholars worthy of the Gift." Entered the employ of Little Alden & Co. afterwards James L. Little & Co.; became a member of the firm who were in wholesale dry goods business, and agents for the Pacific Mills of Lawrence. He never held any office, though offered many positions of public trust. After a long business career he retired to enjoy the comforts of his home and family. Unitarian.

*Children by 1st marriage:*

- 446 David Francis, b. Apr. 13, 1847.  
 447 George Henry, b. Aug. 3, 1850.  
 Anna Eliza, b. May 6, 1854; d. unm., Mar. 30, 1882.

*Children by 2d marriage:*

- Frances Harris, b. Mar. 7, 1858; d. Feb. 15, 1861.  
 Alfred, b. Nov. 18, 1861; d. Sept. 12, 1879.

212 William Stillwell<sup>2</sup> Ranney (Sylvester<sup>3</sup>, Hezekiah<sup>4</sup>, Joseph<sup>3</sup>,

Joseph<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>), b. Feb. 10, 1835, Cleveland, O.; m. 1863, Cleveland, Annette Winchester, b. Feb. 2, 1843, Madison, O., dau. of Philander Winchester and Elizabeth Gilman Calkins; Rep., shoe merchant; res. Cleveland, O.

*Child:*

Fitch Winchester, b. Feb. 17, 1864; unm.; res. Cleveland, Ohio.

213 General Abner<sup>6</sup> Hubbard (Esther<sup>5</sup> Hamlin, Lucretia<sup>4</sup> Ranney, Daniel<sup>3</sup>, Joseph<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>), b. July 19, 1792, Middletown, Conn.; m. Mar. 30, 1814, Farlee, Vt., Elizabeth Beckwith Woodward, b. Sept. 11, 1792, Conway, Mass., dau. of Isaac Woodward and Naomi Hayden; woolen mfr.; res. Norwich, Vt.; Rochester, N. Y., 1816-1848; Cincinnati, O., 1842; Hartford, Conn., 1862; afterwards, Marion, Ala.; Whig, Mem. N. Y. Gen. Assembly, 1833-4 and 1847-8; Major General, 1830, in N. Y. Militia; both Epis.; both d. Marion, Ala.; he July 23, 1862; she Sept. 1, 1864.

*Children:*

Edwin Smith, b. Jan. 30, 1815.  
 448 Martha Ann, b. Sept. 15, 1816.  
 Fidelia, b. July 13, 1823; d. July 31, 1825.  
 Charles H., b. Feb. 15, 1827; d. June 4, 1827.  
 Julia Elizabeth, b. Aug. 28, 1830.

213a Clarissa Gaylord<sup>6</sup> Ranney (William<sup>5</sup>, Jonathan<sup>4</sup>, Jonathan<sup>3</sup>, Joseph<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>), b. Aug. 26, 1809, Middletown, Ct.; m. Aug. 31, 1838, Zebulon Hale Baldwin, b. July 19, 1812, Middletown, carpenter and builder, who d. Mar. 5, 1873. She d.——

*Children:*

448a William Ranney, b. Oct. 24, 1840.  
 Albert Hale, b. June 13, 1847; m. May 27, 1868, Anna Maria Galloway, b. Mar. 10, 1850. Res. Ansonia, Ct. *Children:*  
 Wm. Albert.  
 Frank Gaylord.

214 William<sup>6</sup> Ranney (brother to Clarissa Gaylord), b. May 9, 1813, Middletown; m. 1848, N. Y. City, Margaret Agnes O'Sullivan, b. Jan. 7, 1819, Cork, Ireland, where her father, who d. 1845, was a large ironmaster. She d. Aug. 19, 1903, at the old homestead, West Hoboken, N. J. He d. Nov. 18, 1857, West Hoboken, N. J.

“The name given him at baptism was William Tylee, but he never used the latter. At the age of thirteen, he was taken to Fayetteville, N. C., by his uncle, where he was apprenticed to a tinsmith, but seven years later he was studying drawing in Brooklyn. When the Texan struggle began, Ranney enlisted, and during the campaign became acquainted with many trappers and guides of the West. Also fought through the Mexican War. After his return home he devoted himself mainly to portraying their life and habits. Among his works are ‘Boone’s First View of Kentucky,’ ‘On the Wing,’ ‘Washington on his Mission to the Indians,’ (1847), ‘Duck Shooting,’ which is in the Corcoran Gallery, Washington, ‘The Sleigh Ride,’ and ‘The Trapper’s Last Shot.’ Many of these have been engraved. He was a frequent exhibitor at the National Academy, of which he was elected an associate in 1850. (Appleton’s Cyclopaedia of American Biography, 1988, vol. v., p. 181.)

He has another painting in the Corcoran Gallery, and others in prominent private galleries. “Catalogue of Mrs. Marshall O. Roberts’ Collection,” New York City: “. . . RANNEY, W., ‘The Lasso,’ ‘The Pioneer,’ ‘The Sportsmen’s Halt at the Mill,’ . . .” (The Art Treasures of America, being the choicest works of art in the public and private collections of North America. Edited by Edward Strahan, Philadelphia, George Gebbie, publisher. Copyright 1879 and 1880. Three volumes, highly illustrated.)

“About this time our frontier life was coming more prominently into view, and that picturesque border line between civilization and barbarism was becoming a subject for the pen of our leading writers. Irving, Cooper, Kennedy, and Street, Whittier, and Longfellow, were tuning the first efforts of their Muse to celebrate Indian life and border warfare in prose and verse, while the majestic measures of Bryant’s ‘Prairies’ seemed a prophetic prelude to the march of mankind toward the lands of the setting sun. ‘Evangeline,’ the most splendid result of our poetic literature, attracted not less for its magnificent generalizations of the scenes of the West than for the constancy of the heroine, and the artistic mind responded in turn to the unknown mystery and romance of that vast region, and gave us graphic pictures of the rude humanity which lent interest and sentiment to its unexplored solitudes. It is greatly to be regretted that the work of these pioneers in Western *genre* was not of more artistic value; from a historical point of view, too much importance cannot be attached to the enterprise and courage of men like Catlin, Deas, and Ranney, who, imbued with the spirit of adventure, identified

themselves with Indian and border life, and rescued it from oblivion by their art enthusiasm, which, had it been guided by previous training, would have been of even greater value. As it is, they have with the pencil done a service for the subjects they portrayed similar to what Bret Harte has accomplished in giving immortality with the pen to the wild, picturesque, but evanescent, mining scenes of the Pacific slope." (From *Art in America*, a critical and historical sketch, S. G. W. Benjamin, Harper & Bros., 1880, p. 87.)

The portrait of him given herewith was painted by himself.

*Children:*

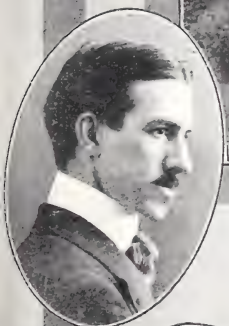
449 William, b. Mar. 27, 1850.

450 James J., b. Nov. 1, 1853.

215 James<sup>6</sup> Ranney (James<sup>5</sup>, Ebenezer<sup>4</sup>, Ebenezer<sup>3</sup>, Ebenezer<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>), b. Feb. 17, 1805, Upper Houses; m. Aug. 22, 1829, Upper Houses, Elizabeth Gridley L'Hommedieu, b. Feb. 16, 1805, Upper Houses, dau. of Joseph L'Hommedieu and Elizabeth<sup>7</sup> Gridley (Elizabeth<sup>6</sup> Smith, Captain John<sup>5</sup>, Joseph<sup>4</sup>, Rev. Joseph<sup>3</sup>, Philip<sup>2</sup>, Samuel<sup>1</sup>). His aunt, then Mrs. Margaret Ranney Keith, attended before midnight at her birth, and after midnight at his birth. These babes were rocked together in the one cradle when their mothers visited each other. They grew up together, and their married life was passed under the roof to which he had been taken at the age of eight years on his mother's death. Their golden wedding was celebrated with much ceremony on Aug. 22, 1879, under the trees he had helped his grandfather set out in 1815. The Rev. Edwin Hiram Ranney offered prayer, an historical address was delivered by his son-in-law, the Rev. Henry Stevens, pastor of the Baptist Church, volunteered sound advice, Deacon and Mrs. John Stevens read a poetical address. The golden offerings, representing the years of their married life, included a twenty-five-cent gold piece from the Rev. E. H. Ranney. The wedding breakfast to a hundred guests was in keeping with the manner to which the host and hostess had been accustomed. The only person present at both marriages was her cousin, Isaac Gridley, of Brooklyn, N. Y. Miss Mary Ann Latimer was the only Cromwell resident who had witnessed their marriage.

Mr. Ranney was a merchant tailor. At the age of seventy he gave up all business cares to enjoy the quiet life of the family to which he was much devoted. He was a gentleman of the old school. A lifelong Democrat, he attended one evening a private gathering of the Know Nothings, and he never went again. It





James Ranney  
 Arthur R. Adams  
 C. S. G. Adams  
 C. Collard Adams

James M. Ranney  
 Ranney-Adams House  
 Mrs. James Ranney  
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Cornelia L. H. Merrell  
 Elizabeth V. Adams  
 James M. Adams  
 Mrs. Elizabeth G. Adams



MRS. ELIZABETH (GRIDLEY) L'HOMMEDIU  
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satisfied him. He was in perfect health till the age of eight-three, when his health failed. Mrs. Ranney was a lady of much dignity. His death occurred Apr. 14, 1890. The widow survived him till May 27, 1891.

*Children:*

- James Mortimer, b. July 10, 1831; while a clerk in Cuyahoga Falls, O., and returning on a vacation he was stricken with a fever and died unm., Aug. 28, 1853, much beloved for his manly traits of character.
- 451 Elizabeth Gridley, b. Feb. 18, 1833; m. Charles Collard Adams.
- Arthur Keith, b. May 14, 1837; d. July 17, 1838.
- 452 Cornelia L'Hommedieu, b. Dec. 10, 1840; m. Arthur H. Merrill.

## SEVENTH GENERATION

216 Moses Hook<sup>7</sup> Ranney (Moses Hook<sup>6</sup>, Thomas Stow<sup>5</sup>, Jeremiah<sup>4</sup>, Thomas<sup>3</sup>, Thomas<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>), b. June 27, 1833, Newport, Me.; m. Sept. 28, 1870, Bethel Hill, Me., Emma E. Church, b. 1849, Leeds, Quebec, dau. of William Church and Louisa Symes. He was a noted horseman in charge of Mt. Washington stages. Served in Civil War, Bapt., Rep.; d. Dec. 13, 1886; widow res. Lynn, Mass.

*Children:*

Katherine Glen, b. Dec. 6, 1871, in the Glen House, Mt. Washington; m. (1) O. B. Jones; m. (2) F. J. Maynard; res. Lynn, Mass. *Child:*

Raymond, b. \_\_\_\_\_.

Stephen Church Adams, b. July 19, 1876, at foot of Mt. Adams, White Mountains; m. June 27, 1898, Avis Jones; res. Stetson, Me. *Child:*

Marguerite, b. \_\_\_\_\_.

217 Stephen Steward<sup>7</sup> Ranney (brother to Moses Hook), b. Oct. 4, 1837, Newport, Me.; m. Sept. 27, 1863, Anna Jane Nye, b. Hallowell, Me., dau. of James Nye and Sarah Andrews; farmer, Dem.; res. Stetson, Me.

*Child:*

Myrtie M., b. July 28, 1867; m. \_\_\_\_\_.

218 Laura Albina<sup>7</sup> Ranney (sister to Moses Hook), b. Mar. 12, 1846, Stetson, Me.; m. Oct. 27, 1870, Charles Wentworth Crockett, b. Apr. 27, 1843, Stetson, Me.; merchant, Rep., A. O. U. W.; she is Univ., King's Dau.; res. Bangor, Me.

*Child:*

Effie H., b. June 13, 1876; unm.

219 Rebecca<sup>7</sup> Stetson (Hannah<sup>6</sup> Ranney, Thomas<sup>5</sup> Stow, Jeremiah<sup>4</sup>, Thomas<sup>3</sup>, Thomas<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>), b. Sept. 13, 1824, Stetson, Me.; m. Sept. 9, 1859, Henry Volney French, b. Jan. 10, 1821, Easton, Mass.; shoe mfr., Whig; d. Sept. 9, 1859, No. Bridgewater, Mass.; she d. Sept. 18, 1899, Brockton, Mass.

*Children:*

Henry Stetson, b. Nov. 3, 1849.

Geo. Rawson, b. Feb. 13, 1853; d. Sept. 21, 1853.

453 Fred Rawson, b. Nov. 15, 1857.

219a George Stetson<sup>7</sup> Ranney (Thomas Stow<sup>6</sup>, Thomas Stow<sup>5</sup>, Jeremiah<sup>4</sup>, Thomas<sup>3</sup>, Thomas<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>), b. Feb. 29, 1840, Stetson, Me.; m. 1870, Lee, Me., Caroline Augusta Thompson, b. May, 1851, Springfield, Me., dau. of John Thompson and Grace Costello; farmer; res. Winn, Me.

*Children:*

Thomas Stow, b. 1871; m. Mae Coombs.

John Thompson, b. 1872; m. Kate Scott; res. Fort Kent, Maine.

George, b. 1874; m. Margaret Lynch; res. Lincoln, Me.

Nathan Allen, b. 1876; m. Grace Scott.

Mae Ellen, b. 1878; m. Harold Merithew; res. Portland, Maine.

Stephen, b. 1886.

Harold Cleveland, b. 1888.

Emir, b. 1892.

220 Irene Stetson<sup>7</sup> Ranney (sister to George Stetson), b. Mar. 13, 1856, Winn, Me.; m. Aug. 7, 1882, Lincoln, Me., William E. Young, b. Mar. 4, 1852, Belmont, Me.; F. & A. M., Rep., moulder; res. Portland, Me.

*Children:*

Abbie Sampson, b. May 24, 1883.

Sarah Louisa, b. June 14, 1885.

Beulah Edwina, b. May 22, 1891.

220a Thorndike Allen<sup>7</sup> Ranney (brother to George Stetson), b. Oct. 28, 1857, Winn, Me.; m. Dec. 28, 1881, Chester, Me., Etta May Dill, b. Aug. 9, 1857, Chester, dau. of Warren N. Dill and Clarissa D. Ireland; F. & A. M., A. O. U. W., Rep., farmer; res. Winn, Me.

*Children:*

Clara Dill, b. Feb. 18, 1884; m. John P. Scott.

Susan Etta, b. Sept. 4, 1886.

Addie Ella, b. Oct. 4, 1890.

Thaddeus Thorndike, b. Nov. 1, 1895.

221 Maria Carr<sup>7</sup> Ranney (Nathan<sup>6</sup>, Nathan<sup>5</sup>, Jeremiah<sup>4</sup>,

Thomas<sup>3</sup>, Thomas<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>), b. Nov. 14, 1838, St. Louis, Mo.; m. Mar. 24, 1859, St. Louis, Mo., Charles Wells Hale, b. Oct. 2, 1838, St. Louis, Mo.; d. Sept. 8, 1902, Winterset, Iowa; Rep., bookkeeper, Epis., I. O. O. F., A. O. U. W.; widow resides Winterset, Iowa.

*Children:*

Harriet Wells, b. Mar. 24, 1860.

Amelia Ranney, b. July 1, 1861; m. Chas. Duncan.

Abbie Graves, b. Aug. 19, 1863; d. Nov. 30, 1866.

Nathan Ranney, b. Mar. 23, 1865.

Chas. Kearney, b. Sept. 29, 1867.

Jennie Mudgett, b. Jan. 26, 1868; m. Hugh S. Thomson.

222 Charlotte Ella<sup>7</sup> Ranney (sister to Maria Carr), b. Nov. 24, 1845, St. Louis, Mo.; m. Apr. 19, 1866, St. Louis, Mo., George Johnson Cochran, b. Apr. 21, 1839, Lacon, Ill.; bookkeeper Dem., Rep., Presby.; res. St. Louis, Mo.

*Children:*

George Frederic, b. Feb. 25, 1868.

Samuel Ranney, b. June 11, 1871; d. Aug. 20, 1883.

Augustus Pomeroy, b. Apr. 24, 1874.

Ella Shackford, b. July 11, 1881.

Julia Garniss, b. Mar. 9, 1884.

223 Julius Merritt<sup>7</sup> Ranney (Nathaniel Cole<sup>6</sup>, Nathan<sup>5</sup>, Jeremiah<sup>4</sup>, Thomas<sup>3</sup>, Thomas<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>), b. Jan. 26, 1842, Angelica, N. Y.; m. Nov. 2, 1868, Marshalltown, Ia., Emma Kelly, b. ———; d. Dec. 7, 1884, Chicago, Ill. First Sergeant, Co. G. 44th Iowa Inf., May—Nov., 1864; Rep., Presb., merchant; res. Chicago, Ill.

*Child:*

Robert D., b. Nov. 7, 1874; m. 1889, Maria Storms; merchant; res. Chicago, Ill. *Child:*

Merritt Ranney, b. Dec. 23, 1900.

224 William<sup>7</sup> Davis (Martha<sup>6</sup> Ranney, Solomon<sup>5</sup>, Jeremiah<sup>4</sup>, Thomas<sup>3</sup>, Thomas<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>), b. Jan. 1, 1817; m. Nancy Lyon, b. Feb. 9, 1821.

*Children:*

William, b. Mar. 3, 1847; d. June 3, 1863.

Jacob, b. 1856; d. Apr. 30, 1902.

Andrew, b. ———; m. Minerva Vrooman.

454 Nancy Emily, b. Oct. 6, 1849; m. S. C. Mitchell.

Frances, b. May 7, 1850; d. May 28, 1863.

455 Martha, b. Aug. 15, 1853; m. Daniel R. Ceas.

225 Andrew Jackson<sup>7</sup> Davis (brother to William), b. Nov. 24, 1828; m. Frances Abigail Bacon, b. Feb. 12, 1832; she d. Mar. 16, 1905, Delphi, N. Y.; he d.

*Children:*

456 Ferris Edward, b. Apr. 2, 1856.

Andrew Jackson, b. Aug. 28, 1858; d. July 24, 1863.

226 Royal<sup>7</sup> Ranney (Jeremiah<sup>6</sup>, Stephen<sup>5</sup>, Jeremiah<sup>4</sup>, Thomas<sup>3</sup>, Thomas<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>), b. Dec. 10, 1810, Hartwick, N. Y.; m. Oct. 10, 1839, Troy, Ill., Betsy M. Gates, b. ———; d. Oct. 16, 1901, Little York, Ill. He rem. 1831, with his parents to Cape Girardeau, Mo.; 1848, to Mercer Co., Ill.; 1851, to Little York, Ill. where he d. Nov. 20, 1889.

*Children:*

457 Susan A., b. Oct. 4, 1840; m. Wm. E. Smith.

458 Nathan Cornelius, b. July 9, 1842.

Stephen Franklin, b. July 2, 1844; d. July 4, 1844.

459 Mary Elizabeth, b. May 4, 1846; m. Joseph H. Gates.

460 Jeremiah, b. Aug. 28, 1848.

Royal Francis, b. Dec. 19, 1850; d. Dec. 29, 1850.

Joseph Asahel, b. Nov. 24, 1851.

461 Royal Gilbert, b. Sept. 1, 1854.

Infant, b. Feb. 28, 1857; d. Feb. 28, 1857.

227 Johnson<sup>7</sup> Ranney (brother to Royal), b. Jan. 15, 1814; m. Feb. 22, 1840, Sarah Ann Knott, b. Feb. 12, 1822; d. Dec. 11, 1866, Jackson, Mo.; dau. of John Robert Knott and Louisa Burtles; Whig, farmer; d. Mar. 14, 1855, Jackson, Mo.

*Children:*

Sarah Ann Virginia, b. Feb. 15, 1842; d. Nov. 22, 1842.

Olive Branch, b. Aug. 17, 1843; d. Dec. 7, 1904; m. William R. McGlasson.

Julius Henry, b. Feb. 25, 1845; d. unm., June 4, 1895.

Ellen Catherine, b. Sept. 22, 1846; res. Jackson, Mo.

Jeremiah, b. May 15, 1848; d. May 27, 1848.

Laura Amelia, b. Apr. 24, 1850; res. Jackson, Mo.

Johnson, b. July 9, 1852; d. Sept. 24, 1855.

George Asahel, b. Jan. 15, 1854; d. Apr. 15, 1855.

228 Johnson Camp<sup>7</sup> Ranney (Johnson<sup>6</sup>, Stephen<sup>5</sup>, Jeremiah<sup>4</sup>, Thomas<sup>3</sup>, Thomas<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>), b. June 15, 1836, Jackson, Mo.; m. 1854, Jackson, Mo., Rebecca Horrel, b. Jan. 11, 1838, Jackson, Mo.; d. Dec. 7, 1875, Jackson, Mo.; dau. of Henry Horrel and Mary Byrd; he d. Mar. 12, 1894, Anaparko, Okla.

*Children:*

- Mary Amelia, b. 1860.  
 462 Wm. Thomas, b. 1862; m. Amanda Claire, and d. June 14, 1898, in Monte Vista, Cal.  
 463 Johnson Camp, b. Jan. 23, 1864.  
 Elizabeth, b. May 1, 1866; res. Jackson, Mo.  
 Mary Gayle, b. Dec. 29, 1868; res. Jackson, Mo.  
 464 John Gayle, b. Feb. 27, 1872.  
 Rebecca Bucklen, b. Dec. 7, 1875; res. Tampa, Fla.

229 Mary Gayle<sup>7</sup> Ranney (sister to Johnson Camp), b. Jan. 17, 1840, Jackson, Mo.; m. 1861, John Beardslee, who d. 1891; she d. 1880.

*Children:*

- Emma Frances, b. Jan. 12, 1862; d. Feb. 3, 1882.  
 465 William Ranney, b. Sept. 19, 1864.  
 466 Thomas Johnson, b. Oct. 17, 1866.  
 467 Mary Elizabeth, b. Dec. 22, 1868; m. Albert Ellis.  
 Eva Fisher, b. Dec. 4, 1870.  
 468 Esther Gauss, b. Aug. 27, 1873; m. Grady Darby.  
 469 John, b. Oct. 24, 1875.  
 470 Paul, b. Jan. 13, 1877.  
 Charles, b. Mar. 7, 1879.

230 Robert Giboney<sup>7</sup> Ranney (William Caton<sup>6</sup>, Stephen<sup>5</sup>, Jeremiah<sup>4</sup>, Thomas<sup>3</sup>, Thomas<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>), b. Dec. 15, 1849, Jackson, Mo.; m. (1) May 25, 1876, Elizabeth Susannah Giboney, b. Oct. 9, 1849; d. July 14, 1892; dau. of William Giboney and Susannah M. Clark; m. (2) Jan. 17, 1894, Emma Agnes Wathen, b. Nov. 1, 1861, dau. of Ignatius A. Wathen and Maria R. Ellis.

Robert Giboney Ranney for four years attended Kentucky Military Institute, taught school one winter, read law with Hon. Louis Houck, 1872, attended State Law School, Columbia, Mo.; became law partner with Mr. Houck till 1880; never active in politics, but has been candidate for Circuit Judge, and twice for Judge of Court of Common Pleas, coming, as a Democrat, within thirty votes of being elected when the Republican majority in the county was four hundred; res. Cape Girardeau, Mo.





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*Children by 1st marriage:*

Susannah Elizabeth, b. Nov. 22, 1878; d. July 10, 1879.  
 Louisa, b. June 10, 1880; m. Aug. 8, 1906, Clyde Harbison.  
 b. Feb. 14, 1882, son of Dr. Milton Clark Harbison and  
 Amanda Graham. Res. Los Angeles, Cal.  
 Lizzie Ann, b. Aug. 21, 1886; d. Feb. 28, 1888.  
 Robert Clifton, b. Nov. 4, 1891.

*Children by 2d marriage:*

Wathen, b. Dec. 19, 1894.  
 Roberta, b. Mar. 6, 1896.  
 William Ellis, b. July 16, 1897; d. Jan. 23, 1899.  
 Ralph Guerrant, b. June 16, 1899.  
 Mary, b. Dec. 17, 1902.  
 Maud, b. Jan. 24, 1905.

231 William Alexander<sup>7</sup> Ranney (brother to Robert Giboney),  
 b. Dec. 23, 1852, Cape Girardeau, Mo.; m. Nov. 5, 1891, Cora  
 E. Harris, Crystal Springs, Miss. He was educated at the Normal  
 School, Cape Girardeau, Mo., and State University, Columbia,  
 Mo.; lawyer and farmer; res. Bairdsville, Miss.

*Child:*

Cora Belle, b. Mar. 3, 1893.

232 Herbert Hathorne<sup>7</sup> Ranney (brother to Robert Giboney),  
 b. Nov. 14, 1855, Cape Girardeau, Mo.; m. Aug. 22, 1883, Com-  
 merce, Mo., Hettie Gaither, b. Aug. 22, 1859, Commerce, Mo.,  
 dau. of John Taylor Gaither and Columbia Daugherty; Dem.,  
 Meth., railway postal clerk since July 20, 1885; res. Cape Girar-  
 deau, Mo.

*Children:*

John Caton b. May 17, 1884.  
 Elizabeth Giboney, b. July 7, 1886.  
 Emma Bell, b. Feb. 28, 1888.  
 Herbert Hathorne, b. Jan. 29, 1890.  
 Hettie Mabel, b. Aug. 9, 1892.  
 Gaither, b. Apr. 28, 1895.  
 James Parham, b. Feb. 4, 1899.

233 Clarissa Waters<sup>7</sup> Ranney (John Hathorne<sup>6</sup>, Stephen<sup>5</sup>,  
 Jeremiah<sup>4</sup>, Thomas<sup>3</sup>, Thomas<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>), b. 1850; m. Joseph  
 Temple Anderson, b. Apr. 27, 1840; merchant, Meth., Dem.; res.  
 Commerce, Mo.

*Children:*

Joseph Reese.  
 John Ranney.  
 Elizabeth Temple.  
 Virginia Amelia.  
 Jessie Gayle.  
 Ralph Frazer.  
 Paul Ross.

234 Amelia<sup>7</sup> Ranney (sister to Clarissa Waters), b. Sept. 10, 1852, Kelso, Mo.; d. Mar. 12, 1899; m. Dec. 23, 1874, Reese Gates Applegate, b. Mar. 15, 1854, Commerce, Mo., son of Stephen Applegate and Sarah Baker; F. & A. M., Dem., Meth., retired merchant; res. Sikeston, Mo.

*Children:*

Carrie May, b. Jan. 20, 1876; d. Jan. 31, 1884.  
 Joseph Reese, b. May 25, 1878.  
 Lillian A., b. Jan. 18, 1881; m. Oct. 25, 1905, Handy L. Smith, D. D. S.; res. Sikeston, Mo. *Child:*  
 Handy Linn, b. Sept. 18, 1906.  
 Sarah Estelle, b. May 5, 1885; d. Sept. 2, 1887.  
 Ranney G., b. Sept. 6, 1887.  
 Emma Lucille, b. Feb. 16, 1890; d. May 26, 1892.  
 Stephen Wallace, b. July 8, 1892.  
 Evelyn, b. Mar. 26, 1897; d. Oct. 27, 1897.

235 Caroline Wall<sup>7</sup> Ranney (sister to Clarissa Waters), b. Oct. 13, 1852, Kelso, Mo.; d. May 10, 1902; m. William Henderson McKnight, b. Feb. 3, 1849, Cape Girardeau, Mo., son of William Henderson McKnight and Virginia Block; grain dealer. F. & A. M., Dem., Meth.; res. Sikeston, Mo.

*Children:*

Aimee, b. Oct. 15, 1877; d. June 23, 1879.  
 James, b. Apr. 7, 1879; m. Louise Pearce; res. Oran, Mo.  
 Alma, b. Mar. 31, 1881.  
 John Coffman, b. Apr. 11, 1883.  
 Clara, b. Aug. 27, 1885.  
 Ruth, b. Aug. 7, 1892.

236 James Parham<sup>7</sup> Ranney (brother to Clarissa Waters), b. Feb. 17, 1857, Kelso, Mo.; m. Aug. 22, 1883, Commerce, Mo., Emma Gaither, b. Sept. 27, 1864, Commerce, Mo., dau. of John

Taylor Gaither and Columbia Dougherty; farmer, Meth., Dem., F. & A. M., A. O. U. W.; res. McMullen, Mo.

237 Harriet Palmer<sup>7</sup> Hawes (Polly<sup>6</sup> Ranney, Julius<sup>5</sup>, Jeremiah<sup>4</sup>, Thomas<sup>3</sup>, Thomas<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>), b. June 27, 1832; m. Oct. 11, 1855, Chester, O., James Taylor Wilson, b. May 12, 1827, River Styx, O.; d. Dec. 25, 1885, Cleveland, O.; mfr., Mayor of Lyons, Iowa, mem. Bd. of Education, Cleveland, O., Dem., Knights Templar; widow res. Youngstown, O.

*Children:*

471 James Preston, b. Feb. 6, 1857.

472 David Hawes, b. Dec. 6, 1859; d. N. Y. City.

473 William Ranney, b. Feb. 11, 1863.

238 Julius Butler<sup>7</sup> Ranney (Oliver<sup>6</sup>, Julius<sup>5</sup>, Jeremiah<sup>4</sup>, Thomas<sup>3</sup>, Thomas<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>), b. June 5, 1831, Chesterland, O.; m. Oct. 31, 1872, Springfield, Ill., Helen Josephine Sanders, b. Mar. 13, 1843, Williamstown, Mass., dau. of Anthony Sanders and Celinda Brown, who was of the 7th generation from Chad Brown and Rev. Roger Williams of R. I. (See Chad Brown Memorial, 1638-1888.) She was mem. Cong. Ch., and d. June 13, 1900, Chesterland, O. Farmer and fruit grower, Rep., F. & A. M. Died Dec. 2, 1907.

*Children:*

474 Antoinette Augusta, b. Aug. 12, 1874; m. Dr. Roy C. Eddy. Oliver Anthony, b. Nov. 14, 1883; m. Dec. 20, 1906, Catherine S. Allen, b. Oct. 29, 1887, Kirtland, O., dau. of Floyd C. Allen (descendant of Colonel Ethan Allen of Rev. War fame) and A. A. Campbell. Res. Chesterland, O.

239 Joel<sup>7</sup> Ranney (William<sup>6</sup>, William<sup>5</sup>, Thomas<sup>4</sup>, Thomas<sup>3</sup>, Thomas<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>), b. Westminster West, Vt.; m. —————; d. 1893, Lyndon Station, Wis.

*Children:*

Joel, b. —————; d. unm.

Henry, b. —————; d. unm.

Fanny, b. —————; m. B. A. Wright; res. Mt. Eden, Cal.

Emma Jane, b. —————; m. (1) Charles E. Chamberlain; m. (2) D. C. Bull; she res. Mt. Eden, Cal.

*Child:*

F. H. Chamberlain; res. Sparta, Wis.

240 Rebecca<sup>7</sup> Ranney (sister to Joel), b. ———; d. Apr. 30, 1894; m. Oct. 5, 1840, Jeremiah L. Perham, b. Mar. 29, 1797, Pepperill, Mass.; d. Dec. 19, 1872, Athens, Vt.

*Child:*

Charles J. Perham, b. ———; res. Cambridgeport, Vt.

242 Hannah<sup>7</sup> Ranney (sister to Joel), b. July 18, 1830, Brookline, Vt.; d. Aug. 30, 1863, Brookline; m. John Landfear, d. May 3, 1873, Brookline; private Co. I, 16th Reg. Ver. Inf., 1862-1863.

*Children:*

Sarah, b. ———; m. Sylvanus Hiscock.

Mary, b. ———; d. Feb. 25, 1889; m. E. Wright Bush.

Fannie, b. ———; m. Edward Harlow; res. Marlboro, N. H.

Henry J., b. May 6, 1859; m. Minnie M. Wyman; res. Brookline, Vt.

Martin VanBuren, b. Aug. 10, 1862; d. Feb. 17, 1876.

243 Stephen Chandler<sup>7</sup> Ranney (Stephen<sup>6</sup>, William<sup>5</sup>, Thomas<sup>4</sup>, Thomas<sup>3</sup>, Thomas<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>), b. Jan. 29, 1815, Westminster West, Vt.; m. (1) June 26, 1849, Westminster, Vt., Fanny Eaton Paine, b. Apr. 11, 1813, Westminster, Vt., who d. Nov. 20, 1861; m. (2) Feb. 24, 1863, Mrs. Mary I. Goodell, b. ———; d. Oct. 20, 1888; rem. to Athens, Vt., 1864, Town Treas., Mem. Leg. 1876-7, postmaster for some years, Meth., Rep.; in 1885 rem. to Grafton, Vt., where he died Sept. 5, 1871.

*Child:*

Tirzah Eaton, b. Nov. 14, 1850; m. Mar. 19, 1873, William Chamberlain Robbins, b. Mar. 12, 1851, Milford, Mass., son of Willard E. Robbins and Maria Johnson; clerk in Pension Office, Washington, D. C.

244 Amaziah Thomas<sup>7</sup> Ranney (brother to Stephen Chandler), b. Apr. 10, 1817, Westminster West, Vt.; m. Jan. 5, 1858, Marlboro, Vt., Jane Knight, farmer, d. Oct. 5, 1900; widow and son res. on the farm, Westminster West, Vt.

*Child:*

Oscar James, b. Aug. 25, 1861; unm.; res. Westminster West, Vt.

245 William Erastus<sup>7</sup> (brother to Stephen Chandler), b. Mar. 18, 1819, Westminster West, Vt.; m. (1) —————; m. (2) Roxy Sophronia Stockwell, b. Mar. 12, 1822, Dummerston Hill, Vt.; d. Aug. 5, 1868, Bakersfield, Cal. He res. in St. Paul, Minn., then in Bakersfield, Cal., where he d. Nov. 12, 1874.

*Children, b. in St. Paul:*

Royal John, b. Oct. 30, 1853.

Roxy Grace Ann, b. May 30, 1856; m. 1879, Jerome Troy, b. 1846 Oskaloosa, Ia.; stock raiser, Rep., I. O. O. F.; res. Raton, New Mexico.

Lydia Rosetta, b. May 27, 1858; m. Chas. Nelson Williams.

246 Otis Lorenzo<sup>7</sup> Ranney (brother to Stephen Chandler), b. July 16, 1821, Westminster, Vt.; m. Mercy Ann Gorton, b. Nov. 2, 1828, Chesterfield, Vt.; d. May 3, 1885, Grafton, Vt., dau. of Thomas Gorton and Laura Harvey. He d. Mar. 12, 1894, Grafton, Vt.

*Children:*

475 Mercy Ann, b. Sept. 13, 1851; m. ——— Works. Res. W. Northfield, Vt.

476 Ellen Francese, b. Dec. 13, 1853; m. Omer Sumner Stuart.

Otis Lorenzo, b. Jan. 22, 1855; m. Jan. 1, 1879, Ellen Maria Edwards, b. Feb. 18, 1857, Athens, Vt., dau. of Othniel Ross Edwards and Anna Maria Powers; farmer, Rep., Bapt.; res. Grafton, Vt. *Child:*

Anna Maria, b. June 26, 1882.

247 Lorin Little<sup>7</sup> Ranney (brother to Stephen Chandler), b. Sept. 26, 1823, Westminster West, Vt.; m. Oct. 16, 1851, Wilmington, Vt., Abbie Ann Wilcox, b. Sept. 16, 1827, Coventry, Vt.; d. Dec. 1, 1903, Brookline, Vt.; dau. of Alanson Wilcox and Persia Hitchcock. He was mem. of Cong. Ch. from early manhood; rem. 1865, to Brookline, Vt., where he d. Sept. 4, 1904. The aged parents were faithfully cared for by their son.

*Children:*

Virgil Waitstill, b. Mar. 15, 1854; m. Oct. 16, 1903, N. Pomfret, Vt., Elizabeth L. White, b. Nov. 5, 1868; Town Treas., 1884; Town Clerk, 1897; J. of P., 1899; Notary Public, Rep., Meth.; res. Brookline, Vt.

Leola Sarah, b. Feb. 19, 1858; m. Oct. 24, 1883, Clarence Warren Adams, b. Nov. 3, 1856, Newfane, Vt., son of Marcus Warren Adams and Sarah Bellows; machinist; res. Howard, R. I. *Child*:  
Clarence Raymond, b. Apr. 10, 1898.

248 Freeman<sup>7</sup> Ranney (Ephraim<sup>6</sup>, Ephraim<sup>5</sup>, Ephraim<sup>4</sup>, Thomas<sup>3</sup>, Thomas<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>), b. May 11, 1806, Westminster West, Vt.; m. (1) Emily Flanders of Coventry, Vt., d. Apr. 27, 1866; m. (2) June, 1871, Mrs. Elizabeth Huse. He d. Aug. 31, 1881.

*Children:*

Oliver, b. \_\_\_\_\_.

Alonzo Philip, b. \_\_\_\_\_.

Wm. Bradford, b. Jan. 24, 1835; d. Feb. 12, 1892.

Eugene Oliver, b. July 16, 1840; grad. Wesleyan Uni., physician; res. Barton's Landing, Vt.

Henry Clay, b. \_\_\_\_\_; d. Dec. 16, 1906, Brooklyn, N. Y.

Ephraim Clark, b. \_\_\_\_\_; enl. 30th Mass. Vols.; d. Baton Rouge, La.

Leavitt, b. \_\_\_\_\_.

477 Charles Freeman, b. Dec. 8, 1851.

249 Sullivan<sup>7</sup> Ranney (brother to Freeman), b. Nov. 23, 1808, Westminster West, Vt.; m. (1) Sept. 7, 1834, Coventry, Vt., Phebe Higgins, b. May 30, 1811, Coventry, Vt.; d. June 11, 1852, Kirby, Vt.; m. (2) Mar. 7, 1853, Kirby, Vt., Mary Huse, b. Mar. 2, 1825, Kirby, Vt.; d. July 12, 1899, Concord, Vt.; dau. of Nathan Huse and Isabel Charlton; he d. Mar. 13, 1895, West Concord, Vt.

Sullivan Ranney was eighteen years of age when his father died, and he was obliged to leave home to provide for himself. His mother packed his belongings in a small bundle, which he carried on a stick over his shoulder. For four years he was in the employ of Mr. John Hayden of Brookline, Mass., and in after years, when he took his cattle to a Boston market, he found a welcome in this family. He then went to Coventry, Vt., to provide a home for his mother, but removed soon after marriage to Kirby, Vt., where he purchased a farm, and resided on it for thirty-five years, adding largely to his first purchase. Left a widower with four boys, he married the next year a "woman of strong, beautiful character, of good health, and great courage. Her ideals were high, and she impressed her traits on these adopted sons." The times following the war were prosperous, and Sullivan Ranney, with his large



farm and extensive pastures, shared in the prosperity, and took his fattened cattle to market. He continued to be an extensive stock raiser. In 1869 he removed to a farm in Concord, Vt., which is now owned and conducted by his daughters, Nellie and Jennie. They have 125 acres of tillage land and 400 acres of pasture. Though not prominent in public, he was active in town affairs. He was a member of the Cong. Ch. at East St. Johnsbury, Vt., from 1852 till his death, Mar. 13, 1895. His children have placed in this church a memorial window in memory of him and Mary Huse, his wife. At eighty-six years of age he planned his work and managed his own business, and until within a few weeks of his death. "His was a grand life, the kind that makes the world better for his having lived in it. His untiring energy, sterling integrity, and genuine honesty makes his life still live on, inspiring and ennobling the lives of those he loved, and who loved, respected, and honored him so well." The eleven children are alive.

*Children by 1st marriage:*

- 478 Scotto Clark, b. Feb. 19, 1837.  
 479 Edson Higgins, b. July 6, 1841.  
 480 Henry, b. July 4, 1843.  
 481 George, b. Dec. 21, 1845.

*Child by 2d marriage:*

- 482 Charles Sullivan, b. Jan. 10, 1855.  
 Nellie Mary, b. Jan. 2, 1857; unm.; res. Concord, Vt.  
 Jennie Phebe, b. Apr. 1, 1860; unm.; res. Concord, Vt.  
 These two sisters conduct the great farm.

- 483 Nathan Huse, b. Aug. 18, 1861.  
 483a William Eugene, b. Feb. 24, 1863.  
 484 Almira Isabel, b. July 8, 1864; m. D. J. Lunnie.  
 485 Ella Luther, b. July 14; 1866; m. Elmer Reed.

\*250 Helyann<sup>7</sup> Ranney (Calvin<sup>6</sup>, Ephraim<sup>5</sup>, Ephraim<sup>4</sup>, Thomas<sup>3</sup>, Thomas<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>), b. Jan. 28, 1805, Westminster West, Vt.; m. (1) Oct. 19, 1824, Geo. W. Holland of Townshend, Vt.; m. (2) Sept. 11, 1831, Willard Crowell, b. Jan. 4, 1798; d. Nov. 17, 1874, Westminster West; farmer; she d. Sept. 11, 1893.

*Children by 1st marriage:*

- Jane Holland, b. Jan. 13, 1827; d. Dec. 5, 1875; m. James Hazeltine; res. Waterbury, Mass. *Children:*  
 James Henry, Jane, George.

*Children by 2d marriage:*

Henry Holland Crowell, b. Dec. 18, 1834; res. Westminster West, Vt.

251 Rhoda Harlow<sup>7</sup> Ranney (sister to Helyann), b. Mar. 29, 1809, Westminster West, Vt.; m. Aug. 25, 1834, Benj. Clark; b. Mar. 21, 1813, Westminster, Vt., d. Mar. 24, 1884, Kossuth Co., Ia., son of Timothy Clark; blacksmith, served in Civil War, Dem., Co. Supervisor; she d. Aug. 15, 1880.

*Child:*

486 Mary Seymour, b. Jan. 30, 1839; m. (1) George Perry Steele; m. (2) Oscar F. Hale.

252 Peyton<sup>7</sup> Ranney (Grant Willis<sup>6</sup>, Ephraim<sup>5</sup>, Ephraim<sup>4</sup>, Thomas<sup>3</sup>, Thomas<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>), b. Nov. 29, 1826, Westminster West, Vt.; m. Nov. 24, 1851, Hannah Moore Hitchcock, b. Oct. 16, 1828, Westminster West, dau. of David Hitchcock and Hannah Owen. He d. Oct. 13, 1889, Kalamazoo, Mich., where the widow resides.

In 1857 Mr. Ranney rem. to Kalamazoo, and taught in a writing school. In 1858 he went into the grocery business with his brother-in-law, Wm. B. Cutting. In 1864 he went into the grain business. He became mayor of Kalamazoo, and represented the city in the legislature. At his funeral all business houses closed. He was a member of K. of P., B. P. O. E., and hon. mem. of the Light Guard.

*Children:*

Homer D., b. May 16, 1853; d. Oct. 23, 1880; m. Jan. 9, 1878, Adaline Elvira Wilson; she m. (2) \_\_\_\_\_.  
Edward H., b. Jan. 26, 1855; m. Oct. 20, 1881, Maude Mason. *Children:* Von T. and Germaine O.  
Mary H., b. Feb. 2, 1860; d. Oct. 10, 1870.  
David H., b. Mar., 1862; d. 1863.  
Flora H., b. May 2, 1865; d. Nov. 10, 1871.  
Harry G., b. 1868; d. 1873.

253 Mary Ann<sup>7</sup> Ranney (sister to Peyton), b. July 28, 1828, Westminster West, Vt.; m. Aug. 14, 1851, Westminster West, William Brackett Cutting, b. Nov. 27, 1827, Guilford, Vt.; d. Dec. 17, 1903, Dorchester, Mass., while spending the winter with his son William. The following is part of the obituary in the Brattleboro paper:

“Mr. Cutting had been for many years one of the most re-

spected and honored citizens of the town. He was born in Green River, a village of Guilford, in 1827, was employed for a time in connection with his father's business, but in 1853 entered the service of the Old Colony Railroad, and in 1854 went to Lawrenceville, Ind., where he was employed for several years by the Indianapolis and Cincinnati Railroad. While there his health failed seriously, and he resigned his position and removed to Kalamazoo, where he engaged in trade and other business in partnership with his brother-in-law, Hon. Peyton Ranney. After a few years, failing health obliged him to retire and return to the East, first making a short stay in Brattleboro, but soon removing to this place, in 1871, where he had since continued to live, but never with very firm health.

"He quickly became a leading citizen of the town, filling many offices of trust, and enjoying the unlimited confidence of his townsmen. He was chosen to represent the county for a term as one of its senators in the General Assembly of the State. Upon the formation of Maple Grove Grange he was a charter member and its first Master. He held some of its offices for a considerable time, and was always deeply interested in its welfare, as in the social and general well-being of the community in all its interests. Though the church was not denominationally that of his choice, he supported it constantly, being always present, when able, at its services with his entire family. He was for many years the leader of the choir, and with some of his children gave to it a high character for the choir of a country church.

"The body was brought here for burial on Monday, being met at the church by almost the entire membership of the Grange and by the citizens of the place, and followed in procession to the cemetery lot, where the burial service of the Grange was used in part, and prayer was offered by the recent pastor, Rev. Henry A. Goodhue."

Widow resides on the farm cleared by Ephraim<sup>5</sup> Ranney.

*Children:*

William Lewis, b. June 27, 1852.

Mary Ranney, b. Apr. 14, 1857; res. on the home farm.

Charles Curtis, b. Dec. 1, 1859.

Frank Henry, b. Sept. 12, 1862.

Stella Matilda, b. Feb. 6, 1868.

Nelly Grant, b. Oct. 28, 1869.

254 Samuel<sup>7</sup> Ranney (Elijah<sup>6</sup>, Elijah<sup>5</sup>, Ephraim<sup>4</sup>, Thomas<sup>3</sup>, Thomas<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>), b. Nov. 8, 1792, Westminster West, Vt.;

m. Dec. 8, 1813, Lydia Goodhue, b. Dec. 20, 1793, Westminster West, Vt., dau. of Deacon Ebenezer Goodhue and Lydia Ranney. Deacon Goodhue descended from William Goodhue, b. in England, 1612, came to America in 1635, and d. at Essex, Mass., 1699. Mr. Ranney removed, 1818, to Locke, Cayuga Co., N. Y., later to Summer Hill, N. Y.; held offices of Supervisor, Justice of the Peace, and other local offices, and was a prosperous farmer. Late in life the couple made their home with their son, Elijah Crawford, where he d. in 1881.

*Children:*

- Samuel Henry, b. July 26, 1814; d. Sept. 22, 1818.  
 Fanny Goodhue, b. May 9, 1818; d. Dec. 12, 1830.  
 487 Henry Eugene, b. Aug. 21, 1821.  
 488 Elijah Crawford, b. June 3, 1825; d. Aug. 2, 1906.  
 489 Ebenezer Goodhue, b. June 7, 1830.

255 Alfred<sup>r</sup> Ranney (brother to Samuel), b. Dec. 29, 1794, Westminster West, Vt.; m. Dec. 28, 1820, Rhoda Goodhue, b. Mar. 12, 1796, dau. of Deacon Ebenezer Goodhue and Lydia<sup>c</sup> Ranney; rem. to Summer Hill, New York; he d. May 22, 1873; she d. Mar. 9, 1876; no children.

256 Fanny<sup>r</sup> Ranney (sister to Samuel), b. Sept. 12, 1799, Westminster West, Vt.; m. Mar. 7, 1822, Deacon Edmund Hallett, Westminster West, b. Aug. 29, 1798, Westminster West; d. May 25, 1876, St. Johnsbury, Vt.; son of Gideon Hallett and Lydia Hall; farmer, Deacon Cong. Ch.; she d. Aug. 27, 1871, St. Johnsbury Centre, Vt.; mem. Cong. Ch.

*Children:*

- Ezra Ide, b. Aug. 14, 1823; res. St. Johnsbury, Vt.  
 Henry Freeman, b. Apr. 11, 1829; d. Feb. 18, 1865.  
 Eliza Jane, b. May 2, 1835; m. V. P. Townsend. Res. Worcester, Mass.  
 Alfred Ranney, b. Aug. 22, 1837; d. July 10, 1896.  
 Phila Ann, b. July 10, 1839; unm.; res. Worcester, Mass.

257 Russell<sup>r</sup> Ranney (brother to Samuel), b. Feb. 20, 1802, Westminster West, Vt.; m. Dec. 22, 1825, Westminster West, Vt.. Narcissa Sparta Warner, b. Aug. 26, 1804, Westminster West; d. June 15, 1876, Westminster West, Vt.; dau. of Gideon Warner and Rebecca<sup>c</sup> Ranney. Russell Ranney rem. to Comstock, N. Y., 1877; farmer, First Selectman 1839-47, Rep., Cong. Ch.; d. Mar. 12, 1891, Comstock, N. Y.

*Children:*

Mark, b. July 7, 1827; m. Oct., 1865, Somerville, Mass.,  
Martha W. Sawyer; was Supt. of Iowa State Asylum,  
Mt. Pleasant, Ia., where he d. Jan. 31, 1882. She d.  
1907, leaving \$100,000 to Iowa State University.

Eugene Alfred, b. Dec. 10, 1830; d. Oct. 7, 1899.

Preston Charles, b. Apr. 15, 1835; d. Dec. 16, 1859.

490 Lydia Rebecca, b. Dec. 27, 1842; m. Edward Luman Camp-  
bell.

258 Mark<sup>r</sup> Ranney (brother to Samuel), b. Apr. 17, 1804,  
Westminster West, Vt.; m. Dec. 29, 1830, Columbia Smith, b.  
Nov. 11, 1812, West Salisbury, Vt.; d. Mar. 8, 1865, West  
Salisbury, Vt.; dau. of Joseph Smith and Polly Graves; farmer,  
mem. Cong. Ch.; he d. Mar. 31, 1889, Salisbury, Vt.

*Child:*

Albro A., b. Nov. 23, 1831; m. Ellen A. Crook, dau. of  
Crawford S. Cook and Augusta C. Enos; no children;  
res. West Salisbury, Vt.

259 Lydia<sup>r</sup> Ranney (sister to Samuel), b. May 10, 1806, West-  
minster West, Vt.; m. Apr. 5, 1837, Frederic Goodell; she d.  
Apr. 12, 1873.

*Children:*

Frederick Homer.

George Ranney.

Lydia Elizabeth.

260 Elijah Bradford<sup>r</sup> Ranney (brother to Samuel), b. Aug.  
4, 1808, Westminster West, Vt.; m. June 25, 1835, Westminster  
West, Elizabeth<sup>r</sup> Goodhue, b. Apr. 1, 1814; d. Sept. 24, 1872,  
Neenah, Wis.; dau. of Deacon Ebenezer Goodhue and Lydia<sup>o</sup> Ran-  
ney; farmer, Rep., Cong., Colonel of Vt. Militia 1843-1848; rem.  
1848, to Palmyra, Wis., later to Neenah, Wis., where he was for  
thirty years mem. of Co. Supervisors; he d. Apr. 25, 1891.

*Children:*

491 Caroline, b. June 25, 1838; m. F. W. Wheeler.

Homer Cosmore, b. May 17, 1842; teacher for several  
years; enlisted, 1862, in Co. I, 21st Reg. Wis. Vols.;  
wounded at Perrysville; rem. to hospital at Lebanon,  
Ky., where he d. Nov. 12, 1862.

Jane Elizabeth, b. Nov. 7, 1844; unm.; res. Neenah, Wis.

261 Lyman Crawford<sup>7</sup> Ranney (brother to Samuel), b. Sept. 22, 1810, Westminster West, Vt.; m. (1) Nov. 27, 1834. Lucy Abigail Miller, b. Oct. 31, 1812; d. Nov. 17, 1853; m. (2) Aug. 18, 1859, Putney, Vt., Hannah Grout, b. May 9, 1819, Newfane, Vt.; d. Oct. 31, 1880, Newfane; farmer; he d. Nov. 12, 1892, St. Johnsbury, Vt.

*Children by 1st marriage:*

- Ellen, b. July 15, 1836; d. unm., Dec. 11, 1879.
- 492 Alfred Patterson, b. June 16, 1838.  
John Franklin, b. Sept. 17, 1840; d. July 3, 1843.  
Walter Warren, b. Dec. 18, 1843; d. July 31, 1863. Baltimore Hospital; Serg. Co. B, 16th Vt. Vol. Sermon preached at burial, Aug. 6, 1863, in Westminster West, by the Rev. Alfred Stevens.
- 493 Mary Elizabeth, b. Feb. 16, 1846; m. Otis F. Buxton.
- 494 Isabella Crawford, b. Dec. 6, 1851; m. Chas. H. Stevens.

262 George<sup>7</sup> Ranney (brother to Samuel<sup>2</sup>), b. Feb. 7, 1813, Westminster, West, Vt.; m. Feb. 14, 1839, Westminster West, Eliza Jane Hall, b. Mar. 21, 1818, Westminster West, dau. of Atherton Hall and Olive Hallett, who had ten children, eight of whom reached maturity. This family rem. 1790, from Cape Cod. Olive Hallett was dau. of Gideon Hallett who had thirteen children. Mr. Ranney rem. 1841, to St. Johnsbury, Vt., where he d. Apr. 9, 1899, having served as a deacon for many years. He was a typical successful Vermont farmer, whose integrity was recognized by all and made him a marked man in the community. The widow res. on the farm with her daughter, Mrs. Geo. H. Morrill.

*Children:*

- George Wallace, b. Mar. 18, 1842, d. Jan. 9, 1843.
- 495 Charles Hall, b. July 22, 1844.
- 496 Crawford, b. Feb. 2, 1848.
- 497 Olive Eliza, b. Sept. 20, 1852; m. F. A. Pierce.
- 498 Fremont, b. May 15, 1856.
- 499 Sarah Jane, b. July 6, 1858; m. G. H. Morrill.

263. Aretus<sup>7</sup> Ranney (Joseph<sup>6</sup>, Elijah<sup>5</sup>, Ephraim<sup>4</sup>, Thomas<sup>3</sup>, Thomas<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>), b. Nov. 14, 1803, Westminster West, Vt.; m. (1) May 7, 1827, Westminster West, Hannah D. Tyler, b. Apr. 17, 1804, d. Apr. 5, 1837, Chittenden, Vt.; m. (2) Jan. 2, 1838, Cleopatra Clark, b. Nov. 10, 1810, Westminster West, d. Aug. 14, 1881, Malta, Ill., dau. of Capt. Perez Clark, b. 1771, d. 1850, who was son<sup>6</sup> of Capt. Scotto Clark of Cape Cod and Patience Snow.

Father and son, sea captains, brought their gold in the center of a tierce of salt. They were descended from Thomas Clark of the *Mayflower*.

Mr. Ranney rem. 1834, to Chittenden, Vt., and in 1875 to Malta, Ill., where he d. Dec. 23, 1891. From early life he was a mem. of Cong. ch.

*Children:*

Mary Jane, b. Oct. 1, 1828; d. unm. Mar. 3, 1869.

Shailer Arnold, b. Sept. 12, 1830; d. July 14, 1831.

Caroline A., b. Oct. 10, 1832.

Ellen A., b. Sept. 15, 1834; d. Oct. 4, 1836.

500 Emma Snow, b. Mar. 10, 1840; d. —————; m. Alanson R. Puffer. Res. Malta, Ill.

501 Matilda, b. Oct. 18, 1841; m. Winslow Holmes.

Albert Brainard, b. Oct. 14, 1850; d. Mar. 13, 1873.

264 Philetus<sup>7</sup> Ranney (brother to Aretus), b. Jan. 8, 1806, Westminster West, Vt.; m. Sept. 25, 1834, Athens, Vt., Esther Johnson Powers, b. Aug. 21, 1812, Athens, Vt., dau. of Nathaniel Powers and Esther Johnson. He rem. 1842, to Palmyra, Wis., before a church or school house had been erected and built a log house for himself and many for others. As many as 40 Indians would come to the door at a time and ask for food. Prom. in ch. and community. Engaged in hardware business and was tax collector. Died of Asiatic cholera Sept. 5, 1854. The widow m. Apr. 25, 1856, Thomas Channel and d. July 25, 1864, of smallpox brought by returning soldiers.

*Children:*

502 Priscilla Esther, b. Sept. 28, 1837; m. M. A. Throne.

503 Selina Roxana, b. May 4, 1840; m. E. J. Forester.

504 Elsie Josephine, b. Apr. 7, 1842.

265 Ira Patterson<sup>7</sup> Ranney (brother to Aretus), b. Oct. 3, 1810, Westminster West, Vt.; m. (1) Mar. 2, 1835, Mary Lucinda Farnham, b. Sept. 15, 1811; d. Mar. 21, 1866; m. (2) Betsy Wood, b. May 13, 1828, Cincinnati, N. Y. He rem. to Summerhill, N. Y., farmer and Free Meth., d. Feb. 14, 1848.

*Children:*

505 William Addison, b. Jan. 25, 1836.

506 Clifford Ira, b. May 25, 1838.

266 Rev. Timothy Emerson<sup>7</sup> Ranney (brother to Aretus), b. Jan. 17, 1815, Westminster West, Vt.; m. Apr. 28, 1844, Ashby, Mass.,

Charlotte Taylor, b. 1817, Ashby, Mass.; d. Feb. 18, 1874, North Troy, Vt. Rev. Timothy Emerson Ranney was educated at Phillips Exeter Academy, Middlebury College, and Andover Theological School. After leaving school he preached for a time at Barnett, Vt. In 1844 he went as missionary to the Pawnee Indians under the direction of the "A. B. C. F. M." For three years he was in what is now Minnesota, but at that time was "Unexplored Territory." On being recalled he returned to New England, bringing with him two Indian children which had been found scalped and left to die by the wayside.

Soon after his return the "A. B. C. F. M." sent him to the Cherokee Indians where he remained for fourteen years. With others in the field he established a mission known as Lee's Creek, which was in Indian Territory, about fourteen miles from Fort Smith, and about the same distance from Van Buren, Arkansas. While at Lee's Creek two sons were born to him. Joseph Emerson in 1849, and Timothy Taylor in 1852. \*

The outbreak of the Civil War in 1861 made it necessary for him to leave the south, as he was known to be a northern sympathizer. After his return to New England he preached for a time at Oxford, Maine. In 1864 he bought a small farm at St. Johnsbury, Vt., but not desiring to give up the ministry he preached at West Charlestown, Vt., at Holland, Vt., and then at North Troy, Vt., where his wife died in 1874. Then on account of failing health retired to his St. Johnsbury farm, where he died July 30, 1884.

*Children:*

Jane Marian, b. Sept. 15, 1845; d. same day.

507 Joseph Emerson, b. May 9, 1849.

508 Timothy Taylor, b. Nov. 9, 1852.

267 Rev. Joseph Addison<sup>7</sup> Ranney (brother to Aretus), b. Feb. 15, 1817, Westminster West, Vt.; m. (1) Sept. 23, 1841, Adaline Hitchcock, b. 1818, Westminster West; d. Aug. 25, 1852, Belleville, Ill.; m. (2) Oct. 1, 1853, Wealthy Ann Hitchcock, b. \_\_\_\_\_; d. Feb. 2, 1875; m. (3) May 17, 1876, Delphi, Ind., Sophronia Freeman Matthews; m. (4) Apr. 23, 1891, Mrs. Jane Blackburn Stewart. He d. Dec. 6, 1891, Kalamazoo, Mich. The following is gleaned from a pamphlet, "In Memoriam."

Received into the church, March 6, 1831, with 30 others; entered Phillips Academy, Andover, Mass., in next month; entered Middlebury College 1835; grad. 1839. Owing to ill health taught in family of Captain Calhoun, nephew of the renowned John C. Calhoun, Preston, Miss. In May, 1841, licensed to preach; officiated



at two small stations; ordained May, 1842; became pastor at Grenada, Miss.; June, 1843, took charge at Spring Grove and Carlinville, Ill., at less than \$400 salary; 1846 chaplain of Monticello Female Seminary and pastor of the ch. Pastor, 1847, at Belleville, Ill. Pastor, 1854, Allegan, Mich. Pastor, 1859-1872, at Three Rivers, Mich. On one day he received 68 into the church and a \$30,000 church was built under his administration. Eighty members of his congregation enlisted in the army. In 1864 he and his wife served six weeks for the Christian Commission. In 1873 financial agent of the new Michigan Female Seminary, Kalamazoo, Mich., modeled after Mt. Holyoke Seminary. Trustee 1868 to his death. Pastor, 1873-78, at Delphi, Indiana. Retired 1878 from active pastorate and settled in Kalamazoo. In 36 years of pastoral labor had preached 3304 sermons in 16 States, and had received 469 persons into the church on profession and 309 by letter; had baptized 154 adults and 127 infants. After 25 years of ministerial labors he wrote: "Whatever ambition I had in early years for high position, as pastor and preacher, it is plain that I can expect now to reach no very great eminence. I hope to continue on and make progress, but I know there is nothing in me that is destined to attract the wonder and admiration of the world. From my first enlistment I cannot remember that I ever wavered in my purpose; my heart was fixed on the great calling."

Sometimes Mr. Ranney was Commissioner of his Presbytery to the General Assembly of the Presbyterian church; permanent clerk of the Synod of Michigan, 1862-66; moderator 1863; Stated clerk of the Presbytery of Kalamazoo 13 years; Republican and lifelong enemy of slavery. He and his wife were on a train overtaken by the flood at Conemaugh, Pa., and his wife's body was recovered after three months. He received the degree of D. D. from Middlebury College. The author of his "In Memoriam" in closing wrote: "The supreme heroic moment was when, amid the dash of floods, and crash of debris at Conemaugh, desolated of his heart's treasure, in the imminent presence of an awful death, he stood unappalled, resigned, triumphant, comforting his affrighted companions in peril with the testimony of a sublime faith; 'God is our Refuge and Strength, a very present help in trouble. Therefore will we not fear, though the earth be removed, and though the mountains be carried into the midst of the seas; though the waters thereof roar and be troubled; though the mountains shake with the swelling thereof.'"

*Children by 1st marriage:*

Timothy Addison, b. Dec., 1842; d. Mar. 7, 1843.

- 509 Albert Barnes, b. Oct. 31, 1844.  
 510 Joseph Addison, b. Oct. 12, 1847.  
 Julia Sturtevant, b. Dec. 13, 1850; d. Nov. 14, 1851.

268 Joel Arnold<sup>r</sup> Ranney (brother to Aretus), b. Dec. 9, 1824, Westminster West, Vt.; m. May 9, 1850, Putney, Vt., Nancy Hubbard Taft, b. Oct. 21, 1830, Putney, Vt., dau. of Preston Willard Taft and Nancy Hubbard. Farmer; Rep.; Cong. d. Dec. 30, 1869. Widow res. at 82 Alexander St., Springfield, Mass.

*Children:*

- Charles Herbert, b. Aug. 30, 1853; m. Feb. 3, 1891, Hattie M. Bailey. Res. Saxton's River, Vt.  
 511 Joseph Preston, b. July 8, 1855.  
 512 Mary Alice, b. Mar. 28, 1858; m. Wm. H. Dickinson.  
 513 George Arthur, b. July 7, 1861.  
 Clarice Priscilla, b. Nov. 24, 1864; d. unm. Oct 10, 1883.

269 Rollin Wallace<sup>r</sup> Ranney (brother to Aretus), b. Nov. 29, 1826, Westminster West, Vt.; m. Nov. 22, 1866, Fitchburg, Mass., Asenath Melvina Caswell, b. Feb. 2, 1839, Fitchburg, Mass., dau. of Stephen Caswell and Laura Patch Farwell. Farmer; Cong. d. Apr. 18, 1889. Widow res. Westminster, Vt.

*Children:*

- Wallace Farwell, b. Apr. 16, 1874, unm.  
 Laura Dell, b. Sept. 7, 1876, unm.  
 Rollin Hayes, b. Feb. 9, 1878, unm.

270 Henry Porteus<sup>r</sup> Ranney (brother to Aretus), b. Jan. 30, 1829, Westminster West, Vt., on the farm cleared by Elijah<sup>5</sup>, and now residing on the same; m. Dec. 7, 1853, Westminster West, Frances Augusta Hamblen, b. Aug. 20, 1833, Westminster, d. Nov. 19, 1903, dau. of Benjamin Watson Hamblen and Matilda Wyman. Educated at Chester Academy; farmer, Rep., Cong.; P. O. Putney, Vt.

*Child:*

- Delia Rebecca, b. Dec. 21, 1854; m. Apr. 10, 1895, A. Stevens Hall, b. Apr. 14, 1850, Westminster West, Vt., son of Edward Hall and Frances A. Tuttle. Grad. Dartmouth College, 1873; Boston Law Uni. 1875; mem. Leg. of Mass., 1904; lawyer, Rep., Cong.; res. Winchester, Mass.

- 271 Roswell<sup>r</sup> Ranney (Daniel<sup>6</sup>, Daniel<sup>5</sup>, Ephraim<sup>4</sup>, Thomas<sup>3</sup>,

Thomas<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>), b. Sept. 17, 1804; m. Nov. 7, 1830, Stockbridge, Vt., Rebecca Whitcomb, b. June 15, 1808, d. Feb. 18, 1886. He d. Mar. 1, 1894.

*Children:*

- Daniel W., b. Apr. 27, 1832; d. Feb. 3, 1904; m. May 16, 1854, Eleanor Rogers, b. Feb. 18, 1836. She is widow and res. Pittsfield, Vt. *Child:*  
 Maud, b. 1873; d. 1903; m. Frank Maynard. *Child:*  
 Ralph Maynard. Res. Pittsfield, Vt.
- 514 Sallie Avery, b. Oct. 20, 1834; m. Feb. 28, 1856, Jasper Pinney.
- 514a Darius Roswell, b. Apr. 16, 1838, Pittsfield, Vt.; d. Mar. 21, 1868; m. Sept. 6, 1862, Agnes Laura Holt, b. Dec. 27, 1844. *Child:*  
 May Inez, b. Nov. 14, 1864; m. June 30, 1886, William Miller Stiles, b. Sept. 26, 1859, Montgomery Center, Vt. Res. Flushing, N. Y. *Child:*  
 Howard Rufus, b. Sept. 13, 1887.
- 514b Moses F., b. Apr. 10, 1843; d. June 16, 1864; m. Asenath Chandler; she d.———. *Child:*  
 Clarence M., b.———; d.———.

272 Daniel Holland<sup>r</sup> Ranney (brother to Roswell), b. Sept. 26, 1808, Stockbridge, Vt.; m. Nov. 21, 1833, Stockbridge, Fidelia Hunt Sawyer, b. Feb. 6, 1814; d. Mar. 26, 1894, Koshkonong, Wis., dau. of Isaac Sawyer and Charlotte Hunt. Rem., 1838, to Norfolk, N. Y.; 1852 to Elkhorn, Wis.; 1867 to Koshkonong, Wis., where he d. Mar. 15, 1895. Rep.; Meth.; Farmer. A man of strong mind and of superior ability. A child writes: "It was characteristic of my father to espouse a cause he thought to be right, whatever the opposition." Mrs. Ranney was the granddaughter of a Rev. patriot.

*Children:*

- Norman, b. July 8, 1835; d. Jan. 3, 1836.
- 515 Emeline Amelia, b. May 13, 1837; m. S. S. Steele.
- 516 Justina Belcher, b. Apr. 17, 1840; m. Rev. Geo. Richardson. Moses, b. Apr. 9, 1843; killed June 15, 1863, Port Hudson, Miss., Serg. Co. A, 4th Wis. Vols.  
 Permelia, b. Apr. 30, 1848; d. Aug. 16, 1850.
- 517 Nellie, b. June 25, 1851; m. W. H. Bridges.
- 518 Levi Marble, b. Feb. 20, 1855.

273 Silas<sup>r</sup> Ranney (brother to Roswell), b. Feb. 21, 1810, Stockbridge, Vt.; m. Sept. 26, 1833, Stockbridge, Vt., Martha Sawyer,

b. Apr. 23, 1810, Alstead, N. H.; d. Feb. 15, 1899, Elkhorn, Wis., dau. of John Sawyer. Farmer; Rep.; Meth.; Rem. 1856, to Wis.; 1869 to Iowa, d. Nov. 20, 1893, New Hartford, Ia.

*Children:*

- Martha Cornelia, b. Feb. 23, 1855; m. N. H. McCollum.  
 519 Amelia Lucinda, b. Mar. 19, 1837; m. Jonathan Allen.  
 Sabra Elizabeth, b. Dec. 7, 1840; m. Stewart D. Ellsworth.  
 520 Fayette Silas, b. Feb. 28, 1844.  
 521 Martha Vandora, b. Feb. 26, 1846; m. Thos. J. Pollock.  
 522 Daniel Leroy, b. Aug. 15, 1849.  
 523 Wallace Austin, b. Aug. 4, 1853.

274 Reuben<sup>r</sup> Ranney (brother to Roswell), b. Oct. 31, 1811, Stockbridge, Vt.; m. Jan. 13, 1830, Pittsfield, Vt., Lucia Rockwell, b. July 31, 1811, Salisbury, Vt., dau. of Dea. Eleazor Bingham Rockwell and Abigail Stoughton. Farmer, Meth., rem. 1858, to Elkhorn, Wis., where he d. Jan. 16, 1882. She d. Feb. 22, 1889.

*Children:*

- 524 Geraldine Calista, b. Nov. 25, 1836; m. J. Z. Short.  
 524a Lucia Ann, b. Sept. 26, 1840; m. I. A. Travis.  
 525 Milo Bingham, b. Sept. 8, 1850.  
 526 Reuben Waldo, b. May 14, 1855.

275 Martha Gile<sup>r</sup> Ranney (sister to Roswell), b. Aug. 25, 1816, Stockbridge, Vt.; m. Oct. 9, 1837, Pittsfield, Vt., Africa Davis, b. Nov. 19, 1805; She d. May 19, 1849.

*Children:*

- Mintha S., b. July 24, 1839.  
 Martha Holland, b. Dec. 31, 1841; d. Feb. 25, 1858.  
 Matilda A., b. Apr. 4, 1843.  
 Jonathan A., b. Aug. 10, 1845; d. Aug. 18, 1847.  
 Ranney, b. Nov. 3, 1847.

276 Lucinda Holland<sup>r</sup> Ranney (sister to Roswell), b. Feb. 19, 1819, Stockbridge, Vt.; m. Mar. 17, 1839, Pittsfield, Vt., Charles A. Thomas, b. May 14, 1815. She d. Aug. 9, 1858.

*Children:*

- Marthaett, b. July 22, 1841.  
 Zilpah A., b. Oct. 15, 1843.  
 Charlie F., b. Aug. 2, 1846.  
 Charles A., b. Jan. 4, 1856; d. Aug. 7, 1856.

277 Jonathan Holland<sup>7</sup> Ranney (brother to Roswell), b. June 2, 1822, Stockbridge, Vt.; m. Nov. 8, 1845, Pittsfield, Vt., Lucy Jane Guernsey, b. Dec. 20, 1822, Westminster, Vt.; d. July 28, 1903, Newton, N. H., dau. of Reuben Guernsey and Achsah Smith. The farm cleared by Daniel<sup>5</sup> Ranney was given to him by the will of the widow of Dr. Moses Harris Ranney. He was farmer, Mem. Leg. in 1872; F. A. M. Died June 22, 1897, Pittsfield, Vt.

*Children:*

- Aldula Achsah, b. Dec. 27, 1847; d. Sept. 24, 1861.  
 527 Harris Guernsey, b. Nov. 30, 1850.  
 528 Harley Austin, b. Sept. 22, 1857.  
 Zilpah Elizabeth, b. June 15, 1863; m. Dr. Axtell. Res. Newton, N. H.  
 530 Fred Lincoln, b. May 8, 1865.

278 Joel<sup>7</sup> Ranney (brother to Roswell), b. June 4, 1825; m. Sarah (Rogers) Ranney, b. Oct. 23, 1823, Norfolk, N. Y., d. Apr. 29, 1897, Pittsfield, Vt., dau. of William Rogers and ——— MacCraight, and widow of Moses Ranney, bro. of her 2d husband, who d. Jan 25, 1875. Was a farmer and mill owner.

*Children:*

- Julius M., b. 1848; m. ———. Res. Woonsocket, R. I.  
 Lurella, b. 1854; d. 1866.  
 Archibald Joel, b. 1868; grad. 1894, Dartmouth Med. Coll., Supt. of Lakeside Hospital, Cleveland, O.

279 Moses Harris<sup>7</sup> Ranney (Moses<sup>6</sup>, Daniel<sup>5</sup>, Ephraim<sup>4</sup>, Thomas<sup>3</sup>, Thomas<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>), b. Aug. 14, 1814; m. Jan. 2, 1837, Harriet Bucklin Barrows, b. Feb. 21, 1818; d. Sept. 3, 1901, Bristol, Vt. She long survived her husband and made many benefactions to the Episcopal Church of St. Edward the Martyr in New York city. Their three children, all unmarried, preceded her to the grave. The following is from the History of Salisbury, Vt., by John M. Weeks, 1860:

“Moses Harris Ranney, M. D., was born Aug. 16, 1814, at South Hill in the Town of Stockbridge, Vt. His early life was passed entirely at school until the age of fifteen years when he commenced the study of medicine with Dr. Daniel Huntington of Rochester, Vt. Having completed the usual term of study and attended four courses of medical lectures, he graduated at the age of nineteen at the Berkshire Medical College, Pittsfield, Mass. (1838). He

remained in his native town one year and then commenced the practice of his profession in Salisbury, Vt., where he resided eleven years. In 1837 he was married to the daughter of Aaron Barrows, Esq., one of our oldest and most respected citizens. During his residence here he was favored with an extensive and lucrative practice for a country practitioner and was fast arriving at eminence both in the skill and learning of his profession. But wishing to perfect his knowledge by a personal observation of the nature and treatment of a greater variety of diseases than were here brought to his notice, he went to New York City and commenced a course of critical observations in Bellevue, one of the hospitals of that city, which resulted in a short time in his appointment to the office of assistant physician in Bellevue Hospital. He had been in this office but a short time when he was made physician in chief of the New York City Lunatic Asylum on Blackwell's Island, which position he held to the time of his death, being a period of over eighteen years. Dr. Ranney took a high rank in his profession and received many honors both of a scientific and literary character. He was a member of the Pathological Society and a Fellow of the New York Academy of Medicine. His important and honorable position and the influence he exerted among others of the same vocation are sufficient evidence of his professional merit."

He was connected with Calvary Epis. ch. and was buried from it.

*Children:*

Julius Harris, b. Dec. 7, 1837; d. Mar. 24, 1869.

Harriet, b. Feb. 10, 1840; d. Oct. 1, 1841.

Moses Willard, b. Mar. 8, 1845; d. July 12, 1882.

280 Sarah<sup>7</sup> Holland (Mary Ranney<sup>6</sup>, Daniel<sup>5</sup>, Ephraim<sup>4</sup>, Thomas<sup>3</sup>, Thomas<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>), b. July 27, 1822, Stockbridge, Vt., m. Dec. 1, 1841, Stockbridge, Vt.; Nathan Davis, b. May 5, 1818, Stockbridge, Vt.; d. May 16, 1902, Stockbridge, Vt. He was a farmer, Rep., and Meth. She died Dec. 25, 1899, Stockbridge, Vt. His pastor wrote as follows: "For nearly four years the aged father had made his home with the elder son, where the most loving care had been bestowed upon him by the son and the son's wife through the long years of helplessness. There are five grandchildren and three great-grandchildren, no deaths having yet occurred among his descendants.

"Mr. Davis was interested in all that pertained to the progress of the community, including its religious life, in which he was a prominent figure, having been largely instrumental in rebuilding the Stony Brook church, and having done his full share in the

building of the Methodist church in Gaysville. For a very long period he filled the responsible office of recording steward.

“‘He was one of our best men,’ said one who had known him 50 years, and this seems to be the general verdict.”

*Children:*

Francis N., b. June 7, 1844. Res. Stockbridge, Vt.

Melvin H., b. Apr. 25, 1858.

281 Lucy<sup>7</sup> Holland (sister to Sarah), b. July 3, 1825, Stockbridge, Vt.; m. Oct. 22, 1844, Stockbridge, Vt. Charles Luther, b. June 30, 1819, Pittsford, Vt.; d. Dec. 31, 1890, Wilmington, Ill. Rem. 1849 to Ill. The widow resides in Wilmington, Ill.

*Children:*

James Julius, b. July 7, 1846; d. May 22, 1886.

Charles Wesley, b. Dec. 9, 1848; d. Sept. 2, 1855.

531 Frederick Augustus, b. Mar. 28, 1855.

282 Jonathan J.<sup>7</sup> Holland (brother to Sarah), b. Nov. 27, 1829, Woodstock, Vt.; m. Oct. 20, 1853, Stockbridge, Abigail<sup>9</sup> Wilcox (Israel Bronson<sup>8</sup>, Amos Bronson<sup>7</sup>, Israel<sup>6</sup>, Israel<sup>5</sup>, Israel<sup>4</sup>, Israel<sup>3</sup>, John<sup>2</sup>, John<sup>1</sup>), b. Sept. 17, 1833, Stockbridge, Vt.; d. Sept. 15, 1897, Chicago, Ill. He rem. 1855 to Chicago, where he was on the Police force for 14 years, guarding the Prince of Wales, now King Edward VII., when there. Foreman of Brink's Chicago Express Co., for 20 years. On his wife's death he rem. to New Hartford, Ia., where he resides with his only daughter. Mayor in 1901.

*Children:*

Mary Adelaide, b. 1856; d. 1857.

Alice, b. 1860; m. Sept. 29, 1881, Alfred E. Bouquin. Res. New Hartford, Ia. *Child:*

Lulu Holland, b. May 13, 1883; instructor in music at State Normal School, Cedar Falls, Ia.

282a Fedelia<sup>7</sup> Holland (sister to Sarah), b. June 15, 1834, Stockbridge, Vt.; d. Jan. 1, 1875, Chicago; m. Jan. 20, 1853, Washington Perry Brink, b. Oct. 22, 1830, West Rochester, Vt.; d. July 23, 1874, Chicago. Founder of Brink's Express Co.

*Children:*

Arthur P., b. Nov. 11, 1855; m. Jan. 6, 1876, Chicago, Nina M. Meader, b. June 11, 1857, Plattsburg, N. Y. Res. Chicago, Ill. *Children:*

Cora Fedelia, b. Oct. 24, 1876; m. June 1, 1904, Wm. S. Tyson.

Percival Arthur, b. May 5, 1878; m. June 14, 1899, Mary A. Koehler. *Children:*

Marjorie, b. Nov. 7, 1901.

Lawrence K., b. Sept. 18, 1903.

Dorothy Adelaide, b. Mar. 24, 1907.

Lucy Fedelia, b. Sept. 15, 1857; m. Jan. 6, 1876, Martin Cyrus Meader, b. June 29, 1854; d. Nov. 5, 1899. *Children:*

Frank Robert, b. Nov. 10, 1878, Chicago; m. June 5, 1901, Chicago, Blanch Mandel, b. Mar. 21, 1881.

*Child:*

Virginia, b. Mar. 5, 1904.

Edna May, b. Feb. 24, 1882.

Roy Cyrus, b. Oct. 20, 1884.

283 Esther Jane<sup>7</sup> Ranney (Joel<sup>6</sup>, Daniel<sup>5</sup>, Ephraim<sup>4</sup>, Thomas<sup>3</sup>, Thomas<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>), b. July 28, 1829, Stockbridge, Vt.; d. Mar. 7, 1890; m. Mar. 27, 1855, Metamora, Ill., Alvan Packard, b. Sept. 19, 1821, Millbury, Mass. Civil Eng.; farmer; orange grower; res. Riverside, Cal.

*Children:*

Honora Rebecca, b. Mar. 17, 1856; d. Mar. 7, 1873.

Charles Alvan, b. Oct. 2, 1857; d. Oct. 21, 1857.

Almira Elizabeth, b. Nov. 21, 1859; d. Aug. 17, 1885.

Luella Martha, b. Sept. 20, 1861; d. Sept. 15, 1885; m. W. E. Neighberger.

Joel Ranney, b. Sept. 22, 1863; d. Sept. 23, 1863.

Joel Alden, b. June 6, 1865; m. Dec. 25, 1895, Riverside, Cal., Carrie Nicholson, b. Nov. 9, 1873, Detroit, Mich., dau. of Richardson Nicholson and Louise Dumont. Orange grower. Res. Riverside, Cal. *Child:*

Jane Louise, b. Sept. 29, 1906.

Edith Jane, b. July 27, 1867; d. Apr. 5, 1880.

Edwin May Stanton, b. Nov. 22, 1869; d. Sept. 29, 1898; m. July 7, 1892, Mamie Furman. Widow resides at Highgrove, Calif. *Children:*

Alvan Furman, b. Sept. 3, 1893.

Edwin Stanton, b. Nov. 7, 1894.

Theodore, b. Nov. 25, 1895.

284 Joel Alden<sup>7</sup> Ranney (sister to Esther Jane), b. Oct. 18, 1831, Stockbridge, Vt.; m. Sept. 4, 1856, Metamora, Ill., Frances



L. Everett, dau. of Dea. Willard Everett of Francestown, N. H., who rem. 1843, to Metamora. Mr. Ranney was a boy of seven when he landed in the new West, and only seventeen and the only son when his father died. Making a living sixty years ago in a new country meant hard work and exposure. Church, temperance and educational interests with political work gave him plenty to do. He has been Pres. of Co. Fair Assn., mem. of Co. Supervisors, promoter of railroads, and now at the age of seventy-six is township chairman of the Rep. Co. Com. Was mem. of Leg. 1876 and 1878. A "pen portrait" of that time said:

"About midway down the aisle on the Republican side of the House of Representatives of the 30th General Assembly sits the subject of this 'Pen Portrait' the Hon. J. A. Ranney. He is a mild mannered, pleasant, affable gentleman of medium height, slender build, dark hair rapidly turning grey, and full dark whiskers. He is a good, logical, earnest, sincere speaker and commands the attention of both sides of the house when he takes the floor. He is very industrious and attentive to his legislative duties. He is also an able, dignified, comprehensive and conscientious legislator. He is the father of one of the most important bills introduced this session, viz.: concerning frauds in Public Improvements." Residence, Cazenovia, Ill.

*Children:*

- 532 Frances Lilla, b. Oct. 23, 1859; m. Dr. W. A. Mansfield.  
 533 Mark Joel, b. Feb. 23, 1867.  
 534 Justin Morse, b. June 29, 1876.  
 Milo Miles, b. May 12, 1882; grad. 1903, Brown's Business Coll., Peoria, 1902; Knox Coll., Galesburg, Ill.; member Cong. church; member M. W. of A. Res. Cazenovia, Ill.

285 Evander Willard<sup>r</sup> Ranney (Waitstill Randolph<sup>o</sup>, Waitstill<sup>o</sup>, Ephraim<sup>4</sup>, Thomas<sup>o</sup>, Thomas<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>), b. Nov. 1, 1811, West Townshend, Vt.; m. (1) Sept. 13, 1836, Grafton, Vt., Chastina Burwell, b. Sept. 8, 1811; d. Dec. 12, 1840, Westport, N. Y.; m. (2) June 21, 1842, Keesville, N. Y., Lorraine Hitchcock Fisk, b. 1817; d. Feb. 5, 1856, dau. of Hon. Josiah Fisk; m. (3) Dec. 9, 1857, Brooklyn, N. Y., Ann Curtis Qua, b. Aug. 15, 1824; m. (4) Apr. 24, 1834, N. Y. city, Olivia Scott, b. June 5, 1835. He was a physician in N. Y. City, and died there.

*Children:*

- Evander Burwell, b. Oct. 7, 1838; d. June 4, 1839.

Mary Louisa Qua, b. Jan. 13, 1849.

Jane Clark Qua, b. Jan. 6, 1853.

Annie Lorraine, b. Sept. 18, 1859; d. June 18, 1860.

Addie Marie, b. Nov. 16, 1860.

286 Rev. Darwin Harlow<sup>r</sup> Ranney (brother to Evander Willard), b. Dec. 13, 1812, Chester, Vt.; m. Jan. 22, 1837, Westport, N. Y., Sybil Hale McKinney, b. Apr. 14, 1811, Westport; d. July, 1891, Swampscott, Mass. The Rev. Mr. Ranney prepared for publication the "Reunion of 1866" and "Reminiscences" of his father. He prepared in Chester Academy for Middlebury College, where he grad. in 1835. Teacher, 1835-1837, in Westport, N. Y., and Ludlow, Vt. Pastor, 1837-1839, Baptist ch. Claremont, N. H.; 1844-49, Dover, N. H.; later in Wilmington, Vt., Greenfield and Bernardston, Mass. Represented Brattleboro, Vt. in the Legislature two years. Died Sept. 27, 1870, Brattleboro, Vt.

*Children:*

- 535 Elizabeth Sybil, b. Dec. 3, 1837; m. Dr. J. H. Richardson. Henry Foster, b. Jan. 30, 1840; m. 1872, Louisa Fairman. Grad. Yale. Lawyer, d. 1873, N. Y. city.  
Edward Norris, b. July 3, 1841; m. 1871, Emma Nave. Dry goods merchant, d. Apr. 30, 1895, Boston. *Children:*  
Abram Nave, b. June, 1872.  
Mary.  
Lucy.
- 536 Darwin Evander, b. Sept. 27, 1844.

287 Stella Laurenza<sup>r</sup> Ranney (sister to Evander Willard), b. July 4, 1814, West Townshend, Vt.; m. Dec. 9, 1834, Sharon Gray, b. Aug. 30, 1801, farmer, who d. May 10, 1882, Townshend, Vt. She was a Baptist and d. Apr. 3, 1878.

*Children:*

- Frances Aurilla, b. Apr. 6, 1836.  
Charles Sharon, b. May 28, 1839.
- 537 Eliza Jane, b. Aug. 20, 1842; m. John Glover Broughton. James, b. June 8, 1852; unm. Res. Morris Plains, N. Jersey.

288 Alfred Atwood<sup>r</sup> Ranney (brother to Evander Willard), b. June 24, 1816, Wardsboro, Vt.; m. Nov. 7, 1837, Chittenden, Vt., Nancy Columbia Manley, b. Apr. 22, 1816, Chittenden, Vt.; d. June, 1882, Keene, N. H., dau. of Capt. William Manley. He occupied the paternal homestead for many years, relieving his

father whose attention was given to a circuit practice of medicine, while his ambition was to follow his brother to college. Rem. 1865, from home to So. Dover, N. Y., and in 1875 to N. Y. city where he held an important position in the city government. He d. Nov., 1881, while visiting a daughter in Colorado.

*Children:*

- 538 Victoria Jeannette, b. Nov. 26, 1839; m. Lyman Bunnell.  
 539 Stella Eliza, b. May 8, 1841; m. Rev. J. A. Leach.  
 540 Martha Columbia, b. Sept. 13, 1842; m. Russell Fisk.  
 541 Phebe Atwood, b. June 14, 1845; m. Theo. Buckingham.

289 Henry Davis<sup>7</sup> Ranney (brother to Evander Willard) b. Oct. 31, 1817, West Townshend, Vt.; m. May 26, 1841, Claremont, N. H., Olive Lucinda Billings. He was a physician in N. Y. city.

*Children:*

George Henry, b. Sept. 8, 1842; d. Sept. 20, 1842.  
 John Waitstill, b. Nov. 26, 1850; d. May 5, 1854. He had an imperfect physical development but an acute brain. He had a great passion for books. The alphabet was learned before he was weaned and at three years of age he could repeat twenty pages of prose and poetry after hearing them read to him. His last words were: "Mama, don't cry."

290 Lafayette<sup>7</sup> Ranney (brother to Evander Willard), b. Aug. 16, 1819, West Townshend, Vt.; m. (1) Feb. 26, 1846, Shaftsbury, Vt., Adaline Eliza Loomis, b. Nov. 28, 1823; d. Jan. 4, 1865, N. Y. city.; m. (2) May 4, 1867, N. Y. city, Kate Bradstreet. Dr. Ranney was educated at Townshend Academy and grad. at Dartmouth Coll. He taught in the Chester Academy, began his medical practice in Hardwick, Mass. Rem. 1849, to N. Y. city, where for sixteen years he was Surgeon-in-Chief of Police Force, and a prominent member of the Bd. of Edu.; F. & A. M.; Republican; Dea. of "Tabernacle" Cong. ch. Very eminent in his profession. He d. Feb. 15, 1883.

*Children by 1st marriage:*

- Julia Eliza, b. Aug. 20, 1847; d. Jan. 15, 1850.  
 542 Ambrose Loomis, b. Jan. 10, 1849.  
 Frederick Alfred, b. Mar. 23, 1853; d. July 1, 1855.  
 Charles Henry, b. Jan. 15, 1856; d. Jan. 6, 1896. Merchant in Philadelphia.  
 Walter Lafayette, b. Sept. 9, 1859; d. unm. Aug. 17, 1888.

*Child by 2d marriage:*

Francis Perego, b. May 2, 1868; m. (1) Natalie Henning;  
m. (2) Mary Clark. Res. N. Y. City.

291 Ambrose Arnold<sup>r</sup> Ranney (brother to Evander Willard), b. Apr. 16, 1821, West Townshend, Vt.; m. Dec. 4, 1850, Cavendish, Vt., Maria Dorothy Fletcher, b. Apr. 12, 1823, Cavendish, Vt.; d. Sept. 26, 1892; dau. of Addison Fletcher and Maria Ingalls. He was a Unitarian. His death occurred in Boston, Mar. 5, 1899. His Arnold name was from Seth Arnold, the Rev. patriot of Haddam, Ct., who m. Esther<sup>s</sup> Ranney, sister to his grandfather, Waitstill<sup>s</sup> Ranney.

Ambrose Arnold Ranney remained on the farm till he had prepared at the Townshend Academy when he entered, 1840, Dartmouth Coll., from which he grad., 1844, with high honors. Became principal of the Chester Academy. In 1846 entered the law office of Hon. Andrew Tracy of Woodstock, Vt.; adm. 1847, to the bar.; rem. 1848, to Boston; taught a while in the Brimmer School and then opened a law office. In 1852 he became associated with Nathan Morse. In 1855-56 was city solicitor; elected, 1857, by the Whigs to the legislature, and 1863 and 1864 by the Republicans. In 1880 he was elected to Congress, and served in the 47th, 48th, and 49th Congresses. For two terms he was a member of the Committee on Elections, which investigated frauds in elections, and here he rendered valuable service in the interest of fair elections and the integrity of the ballot box, dealing, as was his wont at the bar, heavy blows in condemnation of dishonorable practices. In the 49th Congress he served on the Judiciary Committee, which investigated the Pan-Electric scheme, involving the reputation of high public officials. His absorbing aim, however, was in the profession of the law, in which he had achieved eminence before going to Congress. He had the respect of both parties, and impressed the public generally by his manly bearing, his fidelity to duty, and his ability as a lawyer and legislator.

*Children:*

Maria Fletcher, b. Sept. 8, 1853; unm.; res. 72 Bay State Road, Boston.

Helen Mary, b. June 28, 1855; unm.; res. 72 Bay State Road, Boston, Mass.

543 Fletcher, b. Sept. 2, 1860.

Alice, b. Sept. 30, 1862; m. Thomas Allen, artist; res. 12 Commonwealth Ave., Boston.

Ada, b. Apr. 10, 1866; d. May 14, 1866.

292 Stephen Eleazar<sup>7</sup> Ranney (brother to Evander Willard), b. Sept. 17, 1822, West Townshend, Vt.; m. (1) Aug. 26, 1846. Grafton, Vt., Mary Dean, b. June 12, 1824, Grafton; d. Nov. 1, 1856, No. Bennington, Vt.; dau. of Peter Worden Dean and Philenda Willey; m. (2) Apr. 16, 1858, No. Bennington, Vt., Susan Watson, b. July 25, 1829; d. Sept. 29, 1902; dau. of William J. Watson and Selina Slye. He was a physician, practicing in Grafton and Hartford, Vt., and after 1852 at No. Bennington, where he d. Mar. 1, 1899. He was a Rep., Unitarian, and for years Town Supt. of Schools.

*Children by 1st marriage:*

Mary Frances, b. Sept. 1, 1849; unm., res. N. Y. City.  
544 Frederick Dean, b. May 1, 1856.

*Children by 2d marriage:*

William Watson, b. June 30, 1864; grad. Williams Coll.; m. Oct. 7, 1903, Helen Lenox Street. Is pastor of Park Congregational Ch., Hartford, Conn.

293 James Waitstill<sup>7</sup> Ranney (brother to Evander Willard), b. Sept. 23, 1824, West Townshend, Vt.; m. (1) May 21, 1849, Keene, N. H., Deborah Deane Gerould, b. Apr. 5, 1824; d. N. Y. City; dau. of Samuel Allen Gerould (b. July 27, 1793; d. Sept. 21, 1887; son of Theodore Gerould) and Deborah Deane (b. Dedham, Mass.; d. Jan. 15, 1865); m. (2) Aug. 31, 1857, N. Y. City, Helen Elizabeth Hunter, b. June 6, 1836, White River Junction, Vt., dau. of Dr. Galen Hunter (b. Jan. 1, 1800, Westmore, Vt.; d. Aug. 6, 1872, N. Y. City) and Elizabeth Rosalind Willard (b. Apr. 28, 1807, Charlestown, N. H.; d. May 27, 1852, N. Y. City). Dr. Galen Hunter was the son of Jabesh Hunter (b. June 24, 1769; d. Oct. 7, 1848) and Mary<sup>4</sup> Savage (b. July 27, 1774, Hartford, Vt.; d. Mar. 2, 1862, Vt.; dau. of Thomas<sup>3</sup> Savage (b. Dec. 15, 1714, Upper Houses; rem. 1749, to Bethlehem, Conn., and 1768 to Hartford, Vt., where he served in the Rev. War and was pensioned) and Martha Whitmore, b. June 11, 1719, dau. of Joseph and Mary [Warner] Whitmore of Middletown, Conn. Thomas<sup>3</sup> Savage was the son of John<sup>2</sup> Savage and Mary<sup>2</sup> Ranney.

Dr. James Waitstill Ranney taught school in Townshend, when fifteenth years of age, and "hired out" in the summer to work on a farm. At twenty-two he entered Middlebury College, and by hard work and his own efforts he remained to graduate. He took a course in medicine at the New York Uni. of Medicine, com-

menced to practice in No. Bennington, Vt., but soon rem. to New York City. Within a year he was elected to the Common Council. In three years his practice was so great he was compelled to withdraw from political life. He soon called in the aid of a brother from Vermont and later set him up in a separate practice. Two other brothers followed in succession and in turn were set up in separate practice. In 1860 he was elected coroner, and held the position for three years. For over twenty years he was connected with twelve leading railroads as surgeon and attending physician, and for some years family physician to the late Commodore Vanderbilt and Russell Sage. He made lunacy a speciality, and often acted as commissioner in lunacy. He was a regular attendant of the Congregational Church. He d. Feb. 28, 1889. The widow res. in N. Y. City.

*Child by 1st marriage:*

Emma Gerould, b. May 3, 1850; m. June 15, 1870, Elisha Flagg Clark, who d. Oct. 26, 1881; she res. Tenafly, N. J. *Children:*

Watson Gerould, b. Sept. 1, 1871; m. June 18, 1902, Mabel Marion Palmer. *Children:*

Watson Gerould, b. Jan. 12, 1904.

Henry Bogert Palmer, b. Dec. 8, 1905.

Margaret Elizabeth, b. Mar. 17, 1873.

Elsie Blanche, b. Aug. 19, 1874.

Mary Emma, b. Aug. 26, 1876; d. Apr. 2, 1903.

Ada Ranney, b. Oct. 29, 1879.

Elizah Flagg, b. Apr. 5, 1882.

*Children by 2d marriage:*

Henrietta Hunter, b. Feb. 4, 1860; unm.

545 Nellie Kate, b. July 6, 1866; m. Dec. 29, 1892, Richard Henry Reed; res. N. Y. City.

Mary Augusta, b. Sept. 22, 1870; d. Aug. 20, 1871.

294 Helen Louisa<sup>r</sup> Ranney (sister to Evander Willard), b. Feb. 10, 1824, West Townshend, Vt.; m. Feb. 23, 1848, West Townshend, Vt., Norman Bottum, b. Oct. 5, 1822, Shaftsbury, Vt., son of Nathan Huntington Bottum and Peace Huntington. His residence was on his father's farm. Deacon Bapt. Ch., Church Clerk, Bank Director, Rep. In twenty-two years he was absent but eight Sundays from the S. S. of which he was Supt., and from the choir. He made it a rule in all correspondence to refer to the

welfare of the soul of his correspondent. She mem. Cong. Ch., d. April 1, 1879; he d. July 8, 1870.

*Children:*

- 546 Henry Merle, b. Jan. 18, 1849.  
Stella Eliza, b. July 4, 1853; d. Sept. 15, 1854.
- 547 Fannie Lorraine, b. Sept. 22, 1855.  
Nellie Agnes, b. June 6, 1859; d. June 6, 1860.  
Anna Bertha, b. Mar. 23, 1866; unm.; teacher, Chicago.

295 Frances Sophia<sup>7</sup> Ranney (sister to Evander Willard), b. Jan. 25, 1828, West Townshend, Vt.; m. Dec. 19, 1855, New York City, Nathan Buttum, b. Mar. 6, 1827, Shaftsbury, Vt.; d. Feb. 26, 1889, Shaftsbury, Vt.; son of Nathan Huntington Buttum and Peace Huntington; farmer, Town Treasurer, and held other offices of trust. She d. 1871.

*Children:*

- Alfred Henry, b. Jan. 11, 1857; d. Jan. 3, 1864.
- 548 George Henry, b. Jan. 15, 1861.

296 Martin Luther<sup>7</sup> Ranney (brother to Evander Willard), b. Jan. 20, 1830, West Townshend, Vt.; m. Apr. 29, 1857, N. Y. City, Margaret E. Luckey, b. Sept. 26, 1836; physician in N. Y. City; d. there.

*Children:*

- Frederick Merrill, b. May 2, 1859; physician in N. Y. City.
- 549 Maud Hepworth, b. Feb. 24, 1876; m. Carl L. Becker.

297 Mary Angeline<sup>7</sup> Ranney (sister to Evander Willard), b. Aug. 20, 1832, West Townshend, Vt.; m. July 7, 1869, J. K. Herbert.

*Children:*

- May, b. May 4, 1870; d. \_\_\_\_\_.
- Stewart Randolph, b. Nov. 27, 1874; d. \_\_\_\_\_.

298 Ambrose<sup>7</sup> Arnold (Ambrose Tyler<sup>6</sup>, Esther<sup>5</sup> Ranney, Ephraim<sup>4</sup>, Thomas<sup>3</sup>, Thomas<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>), b. June 19, 1815, Westminster, Vt.; m. July 1, 1850, Westminster, Catherine A. Cone, b. May 24, 1830, Westminster; d. May 26, 1901, Westminster, Vt.; dau. of James Cone and Catherine Cuyler; employed in railroading, Rep., Epis., F. & A. M., I. O. O. F.; d. Apr. 4, 1885, Westminster, Vt.

*Children:*

Elizabeth P., b. Mar. 23, 1852; unm.  
 Gertrude, b. May 11, 1857; d. Jan. 7, 1879.  
 Harry A., b. Dec. 11, —; res. Audubon, Iowa.  
 Arthur F., b. Apr. 21, 1863; res. Westminster, Vt.  
 Herbert E., b. Aug. 21, 1865; res. Somerville, Mass.

299 Fenelon<sup>7</sup> Arnold (brother to Ambrose), b. Jan. 25, 1817, Westminster, Vt.; m. (1) Nov. 4, 1840, Amanda Richards, b. Aug. 7, 1822, Westminster; d. Dec. 24, 1867; dau. of Luther A. Richards and Polly Page; m. (2) Mar. 1, 1872, Walpole, N. H., Emily Augusta Marsh, b. Feb. 25, 1837, Walpole, dau. of Edmund Adams Marsh and Isabella Hosmer. He d. Dec. 4, 1901. Widow res. Walpole, N. H.

*Children by 1st marriage:*

Charles Ferris, b. July 28, 1853.  
 George Richards, b. Sept. 26, 1857; d. Aug. 6, 1878.

*Child by 2d marriage:*

Seth Fenelon, b. Dec. 21, 1878; student at Tufts College, Medford, Mass.

300 Ralph Parker<sup>7</sup> Ranney (James<sup>6</sup>, Janna<sup>5</sup>, Ephraim<sup>4</sup>, Thomas<sup>3</sup>, Thomas<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>), b. Mar. 7, 1812, Westminster, Vt.; m. Mar. 4, 1834, Delaware, O., Harriet Storm, b. June 26, 1814, Delaware, who d. 1902, Episcopal. He with his two brothers crossed the plains to California, and d. May 9, 1872, Washington, D. C.

*Child:*

George Lewis, b. Sept. 6, 1840; d. Jan. 12, 1843.

301 Lewis H.<sup>7</sup> Ranney (brother to Ralph Parker), b. Oct. 18, 1817, Springfield, Vt.; m. Sept. 9, 1848, Elizabeth Burden, b. May 25, 1827, Devonshire, Eng., dau. of John Burden and Jane Sessford; ret. from Cal., became Clerk in U. S. Bureau of Statistics; d. Sept. 1, 1899, Washington, D. C.

*Children:*

Mary, b. Dec. 11, 1851; d. July 26, 1858.  
 Emma, b. Jan. 8, 1855; unm.; res. Washington, D. C.  
 Caroline, b. July 4, 1857; unm.; res. Washington, D. C.

302 Isaac<sup>7</sup> Ranney (brother to Ralph Parker), b. Feb. 21, 1820, Manchester, Vt.; m. Nov. 12, 1845, Delaware, O., Sarah



Eleanor Smith, b. Oct. 13, 1824, Delaware, O.; d. June 25, 1903, Gaithersburg, Md.; dau. of Solomon Smith and Sarah Eleanor Root of Pittsfield, Mass. Solomon Smith, a noted civil engineer, laid out the town of Delaware, O. Sarah Eleanor Root was the dau. of Colonel Azariah Root, an officer in the Rev. War, and a descendant of John Root, a settler of Farmington, Conn.

Isaac Ranney, Republican, lawyer, Circuit Judge 1858-1862, removed, in 1873, to Gaithersburg, Md., where he died Oct. 8, 1876; buried in Delaware, Ohio. The widow resided with her daughter, Mrs. Munro, and d. June 25, 1903. She was a mem. Epis. Ch.; burial, Delaware, O. Judge Ranney was a cultured gentleman, honorable and upright, respected by all, of a sweet nature, and courtly manners.

*Children:*

- 550 Sarah Frances, b. Sept. 28, 1846; m. Charles L. Lybrand.  
Eleanor Mary, b. Oct. 1, 1848; d. Oct. 11, 1863.
- 551 Grace, b. Sept. 21, 1854; m. John B. Diamond.
- 552 Elizabeth Burden, b. June 19, 1856; m. David M. Munro.  
Myra Chase, b. Jan. 2, 1859; d. 1860.  
Harry Willard, b. Jan. 28, 1862; d. June 23, 1864.
- 553 Katherine Rebecca, b. Dec. 14, 1865; m. James B. Adams.

302a John Jay<sup>7</sup> Hart (Delia<sup>6</sup> Willis, Sybil<sup>5</sup> Ranney, Willett<sup>4</sup> Willett<sup>3</sup>, Thomas<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>), b. Mar. 13, 1831, Adams, N. Y.; d. Nov. 24, 1896; m. Jan. 20, 1859, Oswego, N. Y., Mary Elizabeth Gridley, b. Jan. 1, 1814, Albany, N. Y., dau. of Timothy Henry Gridley of Dutchess Co. N. Y. and Elizabeth Utley, of Swan, Miner and Denison families of Conn. Rep., Cong., for many years he conducted the leading dry goods business in Oswego, to which place he had removed in 1850. Widow res. in Oswego, N. Y.

*Children:*

- George Dwight, b. Dec. 24, 1859; m. Dec. 3, 1885, Julia Penfield, b. Aug., 1862, Oswego, N. Y., dau. of Edwin P. Penfield and Elizabeth Hovey. Insurance, I. O. O. F. Res. Detroit, Mich. *Children:*
- Ethel Penfield, b. Aug. 8, 1886.
- Josephine Howe, b. Oct. 18, 1888.
- James Munroe, b. Sept. 18, 1862; m. Oct. 20., 1886, Sophia Shepard Ould, b. Jan., 1863, d. June 29, 1905, dau. of John Ould of Oswego and Susan Shepard of Oneida, N. Y. (See the Shepard Family.) Rep., ice business. Res. Oswego, N. Y. *Children:*

- John Jay, b. July 25, 1887.  
 James Shepard, b. June 15, 1888.  
 Susan Clarene, b. Feb. 10, 1891.  
 Frederick Massey, b. May 4, 1866; m. June 7, 1893, Anna  
 Lyman, b. June, 1867, Pulaski, N. Y., dau. of Henry  
 H. Lyman and Emily Vorce Bennett. Rep., F. A. M.  
 Res. Oswego, N. Y. *Child:*  
 Henry Hart, b. July 1, 1897.  
 Mary, b. Sept. 12, 1869; m. June 11, 1890, Smith Matt  
 Bostick, b. Nov. 21, 1863, Robertville, Hampton Co.,  
 S. C., dau. of Richard Fuller Bostick, now of Hamilton,  
 N. Y., and Maria Ballinger Mott. Res. Oswego, N. Y.  
*Children:*  
 Miner Hart, b. July 29, 1891.  
 Richard Jay, b. Feb. 9, 1895.

303 Willett Ranney<sup>7</sup> Willis (Willett Ranney<sup>6</sup> Willis, Sybil<sup>5</sup>  
 Ranney, Willett<sup>4</sup>, Willett<sup>3</sup>, Thomas<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>), b. Sept. 15, 1839,  
 Adams, N. Y.; d. Mar. 3, 1902, Pueblo, Colo; m. Apr. 7, 1863,  
 Adams, N. Y., Frances Maria Grimes, b. June 12, 1839, Buffalo,  
 N. Y., dau. of James Stanley Grimes and Frances Warner of  
 Springfield, Mass. He was a woolen mfr., Brownsville, N. Y.,  
 until 1872, then in cattle business in Colorado; Com'r of Huer-  
 ford Co., Colo., 1898-1900; Rep. The widow is mem. of D. A. R.,  
 as a descendant of Amaziah Sanderson; Episcopal; res. Pueblo,  
 Colorado.

*Children:*

- 554 Edward Jarvis, b. Oct. 28, 1866.  
 555 Frank Grimes, b. Nov. 13, 1867.  
 Stanley John, b. Sept. 11, 1869; unm.; Surveyor; res.  
 Wonder, Nevada.  
 556 Kate Elizabeth, b. Dec. 5, 1870; m. H. E. Hills.  
 Rosa Belle, b. Oct. 16, 1872; unm.  
 Anna Flora, b. Jan. 9, 1874; unm.  
 Mary Frances, b. Nov. 27, 1864; d. Aug. 15, 1866.  
 Willett Ranney, b. Nov. 9, 1881; grad. 1906, Colorado  
 College; unm.; res. Colorado Springs, Colo.

304 Willett Phineas<sup>7</sup> Ranney (John<sup>6</sup>, Willett<sup>5</sup>, Willett<sup>4</sup>, Wil-  
 lett<sup>3</sup>, Thomas<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>), b. Sept. 1, 1830, Pierrepont Manor,  
 N. Y.; m. Jan. 25, 1860, Cleveland, O., Margaret Tiebout, b. Mar.  
 21, 1838, dau. of George Tiebout and Martha Wilson. He d.  
 Feb. 11, 1890, she Dec. 3, 1904, interments in Riverside Cemetery,  
 Cleveland.

Leaving home at eighteen years of age, he was employed for a while by his Uncle Orville in Buffalo. He then went to the lumbering camps in Green Bay, Wis., region, and established a trading store on Washington Island, furnishing fishermen with supplies, and taking in exchange their catches of fish, which he shipped to various points. On his marriage he settled in Cleveland, O., and established himself in the wholesale salt-fish business. His sons now conduct it under the firm name of The Ranney Fish Co.

Mrs. Ranney was a descendant through the Tiebout, Calyer, Meserole and Praa families, of Captain Peter Praa, who came to this country with his parents in 1655, and was one of the early Dutch settlers of Greenpoint, Long Island. Her father was George Tiebout, b. Feb. 11, 1799, Greenpoint, N. Y.; d. Nov. 14, 1864, Cleveland, O.; son of Margaretta Colyer, who was the granddaughter of Jacobus Colyer.

The following appeared in the Brooklyn *Daily Times* of Oct. 20, 1879:

"The land at Greenpoint, N. Y., was originally granted to Dirk (or Dierk) Volkertsen. It was a 'ground brief, dated Apr. 3, 1645,' under which he appears to have taken possession of nearly the whole peninsula lying on the East River, between Mespat Kill (Newtown Creek) and Norman Kill (Bushwick Creek). In 1653 he conveyed the northerly portion of Green Point to Jacob Hay (or Hays), who died soon after, leaving his widow, Christina Cappaens, and one child, Maria Hay. Maria Hay's first husband was Jost Adrience Molenair (or Miller), after whose death she married Captain Peter Praa, a native of Leyden, who had come in 1655 to this country in his childhood with his parents.

"Although born in Holland, his father was a Huguenot from France, who had taken refuge in Leyden. Peter Praa was a man of great enterprise and public spirit, commander of the Bushwick Militia, and otherwise prominent in the councils of the town. He and his wife, Maria Hay, by will of her mother, Christina Cappaens, and by purchase of the sons of Dirk Volkertsen, appear to have acquired title to nearly all the land at Green Point, and their lineal descendants continued to be the principal, if not the sole, occupants of the territory for nearly one hundred years thereafter.

"Peter Praa and wife had no sons, so that the name of Praa became extinct, but of their four daughters Elizabeth married Jan Meserole, and to them were born two sons, Abraham and Jacob, and a daughter Janita, who married Jacobus Colyer. At the time of the Revolutionary War they lived in a house near the

mouth of Bushwick Creek, built by Dirk Volkertsen, the Norman. This Jacobus Colyer was the great-grandfather of John and Peter Colyer, lately deceased, who for so many years resided in Colyer Street, also the great-great-grandfather of Cornelius H. Tiebout, the oldest lineal descendant of Jacobus Colyer, now living at Greenpoint."

Mrs. Ranney's mother, b. Nov. 18, 1809; d. Mar. 21, 1882, Cleveland, O., was eldest daughter of John Wilson, who had removed to Cleveland about 1830 from Sacketts Harbor, N. Y., and Ann Aram, b. 1786, England; d. Jan. 30, 1831, Oswego, N. Y. She was the daughter of Joseph Aram, late of Green Hammerton, England (b. 1740; d. Jan. 21, 1803; interred in Parish Churchyard, Whixley, York, Yorkshire, England) and Margaret Aram (b. 1738, England; d. June 6, 1821, aged 83; interred in the Log Meeting House Yard, English Settlement, No. 9, Ontario County, New York; she left Hull, England, June 6, 1806, on the *Indian Chief*, and, after a passage of sixty-two days, reached New York on Aug. 7, 1806).

*Children:*

Lynn Anderson, b. Mar. 12, 1861; m. Jan. 4, 1888, Cleveland, Caroline May Brewer, b. Jan., 1868, Cleveland, O., dau. of Nelson Charles Brewer and Caroline Cornelia Benedict. *Children:*

Willett Brewer, b. Nov. 12, 1891.

Lynn Anderson, b. Jan. 9, 1893.

Percival Kent, b. Apr. 11, 1894.

Margaret Jeanette, b. Dec. 24, 1897.

Philip Tiebout, b. Mar. 27, 1863; d. Feb. 26, 1883.

Willett George, b. Sept. 14, 1867; unm.; grad. 1890, Rensselaer Polytechnic Inst., Troy, N. Y.; engaged in stock raising in Custer Co., Neb. Res. Cleveland, O.

Cornelius John, b. Aug. 15, 1869; unm. Res. Cleveland, O.

Robert Bristol, b. Sept. 13, 1871; m. Jan. 4, 1899, Cleveland, O., Florence Eva Jenkins, b. June 27, 1874, Cleveland, O., dau. of Nathan Sturgis Jenkins and Eva Davis. Res. Cleveland, O. *Children:*

Judith, b. Apr. 18, 1900.

Philip Tiebout, b. Nov. 8, 1901.

Keith Irwin, b. Apr. 21, 1880; unm. Res. Cleveland, O.

305 Daniel Bristol<sup>7</sup> Ranney (brother to Willett Phineas), b. Jan. 28, 1834, Smithville, N. Y.; m. Nov. 2, 1865, Cleveland, O., Jane Ranney, b. Aug. 25, 1842, Exeter, England, dau. of

Henry Sargent Ranney and Jane Collings. He was a farmer, 1st Lieut. Co. L, 10th Reg., N. Y. H. A., Aug. 7, 1862—June 23, 1865; Rep., New Church; he d. June, 1896, Lowell, Mich.

*Children:*

- 557 Theodora, b. Sept. 12, 1866; m. Henry H. Lake.  
 Daisy Gertrude, b. Oct. 18, 1868; teacher, Trinidad, Colo.  
 558 Helen Mabel, b. Oct. 16, 1870; m. Bert E. Quick.  
 Mary Mildred, b. Sept. 15, 1873; m. Dec. 3, 1902, Toronto, Ontario, Wayne Hudson Hadcock, b. Dec. 13, 1868, Copenhagen, N. Y.; bookkeeper. Res. Watertown, N. Y.  
 Stella, b. Sept. 30, 1875; teacher, Denver, Col.  
 Henry De Albert, b. May 25, 1878; m. Sept. 30, 1903, Mabel Westfall; res. Nome, Alaska.

306 Martha Cornelia<sup>7</sup> Ranney (sister to Willett Phineas), b. May 2, 1845, Smithville, N. Y.; m. Dec. 8, 1873, N. Y. City, James Garrison Cooper, b. Oct. 1, 1823; d. Jan. 19, 1903, Bayonne, N. J., on editorial staff of New York *Tribune* for many years. Widow res. Great Kills, Staten Island, N. Y.

*Child:*

- Grace Ranney, b. Oct. 19, 1874; m. Oct. 12, 1895, Louis Kossuth Ruttkay, b. Mar. 16, 1875, New Orleans, La., son of Albert Ruttkay and Laura Wiley, and grandson of Madame Ruttkay, late of Buda Pesth, Hungary, sister to Louis Kossuth, the Hungarian Patriot; res. Great Kills, Staten Island. *Children:*  
 Louis Kossuth, b. May 18, 1897.  
 Dorothy Constance, b. Oct. 13, 1898.  
 Laura Wiley, b. July 9, 1900.

307 Ellen<sup>7</sup> Drake (Sophronia<sup>6</sup> Ranney, Willett<sup>5</sup>, Willett<sup>4</sup>, Willett<sup>3</sup>, Thomas<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>), b. Dec. 1, 1832, Redfield, N. Y.; m. Nov. 19, 1857, Beaver, Mich., George Traut Knowles, b. Nov. 19, 1834, Chittenango, N. Y.; merchant, Rep., F. & A. M.; res. Beaver, Minn.

*Child:*

- Jennie, b. Oct. 31, 1859, Beaver, Minn.; m. May 6, 1880, William Henry Green, b. Sept. 29, 1857, Marston, Wis.; farmer, Rep., M. W. of A.; res. Beaver, Minn. *Children:*  
 Ellen May, b. Mar. 28, 1881; d. May 24, 1889.  
 Herbert Knowles, b. June 16, 1883.

Chester William, b. Nov. 6, 1887; d. May 22, 1889.  
 Jeannette Ranney, b. Oct. 22, 1891.  
 George Hurther, b. Apr. 11, 1893.  
 Fred Jay, b. Aug. 21, 1896.

308 Jeannette<sup>r</sup> Drake (sister to Ellen), b. Aug. 8, 1836, Redfield, N. Y.; m. Sept. 26, 1858, Beaver, Minn., Jay Reed Martin, b. Apr. 13, 1835, Kingsburg, N. Y.; d. Nov. 21, 1864, Minneiska, Minn.; grain merchant, Rep.; widow res. Beaver, Minn.

*Children:*

Mary, b. Aug. 22, 1860; d. Mar. 26, 1875.  
 Anna Elizabeth, b. Oct. 6, 1861; d. Dec. 3, 1863.  
 Jay Reed, b. Dec. 9, 1864; m. Nov. 9, 1889, Annandale, Minn., Bertha May Grafft, b. Feb. 8, 1868, Mexico, Ind., dau. of John Grafft and Nancy McCalla; grain merchant, Rep., F. & A. M., R. A.; she is mem. Zurah Ladies; res. Minneapolis. *Children:*  
 Gerald Reed, b. May 26, 1891.  
 Charles Jay, b. Aug. 28, 1892.

309 Brayton Lester<sup>r</sup> Drake (brother to Ellen), b. Nov. 18, 1838, Redfield, N. Y.; m. Sept. 28, 1862, Beaver, Minn., Emily Caroline Jeffords, b. Feb. 24, 1844, Westfield, N. Y., dau. of Lanson Jeffords and Louisa Maria Corey. Contractor and builder; Prohib.; F. & A. M. Res. Wabasha, Minn.

*Children:*

Clara E., b. Sept. 1, 1863; m. ————.  
 Nellie, b. Apr. 20, 1865; d. Sept. 5, 1867.  
 Freddie, b. Oct. 16, 1867; d. July 5, 1868.  
 Lester Ranney, b. June 26, 1869; m. ————.  
 Harvey, b. Nov. 20, 1871; unm.  
 Reuben I., b. Oct. 16, 1874; m. ————.  
 Charles L., b. July 19, 1878; m. ————.  
 Elsie L., b. Nov. 23, 1882.

310 Margaret<sup>r</sup> Drake (sister to Ellen), b. Apr. 25, 1842, Redfield, N. Y.; m. Dec. 23, 1861, Elgin, Minn., William Buckingham, b. Jan. 8, 1828, Hartland, Ct.; in Cal. 5 years; since 1860 in Minn. Merchant; Rep.; Cong. She is mem. R. N. A. Res. Beaver, Minn.

*Children:*

Willis, b. Jan. 22, 1863; m. July 16, 1895, Milton, N. Dakota,  
 Ida Belle Holloway, b. Apr. 8, 1869, Lacom, Ill., dau. of

Elijah Martin Holloway and Mary Ann Elinor McNolte.  
Grain buyer; Rep.; F. & A. M. Res. Park River, N.  
Dakota. *Children:*

Tracy, b. July 2, 1897.

Margaret, b. Aug. 23, 1902.

Arthur Andrews, b. May 23, 1866; m. Apr. 9, 1888, Albert  
Lea, Minn., Lilla Martin, b. June 30, 1862, Whitewater,  
Wis., d. Jan. 7, 1900, Crookston, Minn., dau. of Walter  
James Martin and Alice Alvira Rood; m. (2) 1903,  
Agnes Cyr. Presby.; D. O. L. M. He is Supt. of grain  
elevators; Rep.; Bapt.; K. of M.; A. O. U. W.; K. of  
Mac. of the World. Res. Crookston, Minn. *Children:*  
Charles, b. Dec. 17, 1888.

Alice, b. Jan. 27, 1891.

James, b. Dec. 19, 1892.

Jay, b. Mar. 15, 1896.

Lynn, b. Oct. 26, 1897.

Philip, b. Jan. 5, 1900.

Lilla, b. 1904.

Brayton, b. Aug. 9, 1868, Beaver, Minn.; m. Oct. 27, 1897,  
Isabella Maud Tucker, b. Jan. 14, 1871, Princeton, Wis.;  
d. Jan. 29, 1907, dau. of Richmond Tucker and Cornelia  
Bronson. Rep.; Postmaster; F. & A. M. Res. Argyle,  
Minn. *Child:*

Lois Isabella, b. Jan. 19, 1907.

Roy, b. Oct. 8, 1873, unm. First Nat. Bank, Seattle, Wash-  
ington.

311 Lester Ranney<sup>7</sup> Brooks (Jeanette<sup>6</sup> Ranney, Willett<sup>5</sup>, Wil-  
lett<sup>4</sup>, Willett<sup>3</sup>, Thomas<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>), b. May 19, 1847, Redfield, N.  
Y.; m. Apr. 9, 1873, Elba, Minn.; d. Nov. 11, 1902, Minneapolis,  
Minn.; m. Josephine Bullen, b. May 12, 1850, Kenosha, Wis., dau.  
of John Bullen and Henrietta Mygatt\* Rep., F. A. M., 32°. A  
man possessed of large wealth.

In the business world Mr. Brooks was a man of force and influ-  
ence. Though most unpretentious in his daily life, he was a deep  
student, and having travelled a great deal, he was a man with whom  
it was a pleasure to come in contact.

In 1897-8 he served as president of the Chamber of Commerce,  
and was one of the most efficient and conscientious executive officers  
that that great trading organization ever had. In the past two  
years he had been chairman of the construction committee of the  
Chamber of Commerce, and in that capacity had much to do with

the erection of the fine new building which that body has just taken possession of.

From early associations Mr. Brooks has shown a decided taste for the banking business, and was a strong man in financial circles, being a director of the Northwestern National Bank of Minneapolis, and of the Second National of Winona. He had given the money question a good deal of study, and was well informed upon all matters pertaining to it. Mr. Brooks was an enthusiastic yachtsman, and had served as commodore of the Minnetonka Yacht Club. Widow res. Minneapolis. *Child:*

Philip Ranney, b. Oct. 29, 1875, Winona, Minn.; m. Feb. 12, 1907, Chicago, Ill., Caroline Lehman Sewall, b. Jan. 12, 1884, Stillwater, Minn., dau. of Edmund Devereaux Sewall and Anna Lehman, who were married in Bethlehem, Pa.; descendant of Henry Sewall, b. 1544, and Mayor of Coventry, England, the 4th in descent having been Chief Justice Samuel Sewall, of witchcraft trial, Salem, Mass. Mr. Brooks is Sec. of Brooks-Scanlon Lumber Co. Yale, 1898; Rep., 32° F. & A. M. Res. Minneapolis, Minn.

[MYGATT-WEBSTER LINEAGE—Deacon Joseph Mygatt came with his wife Ann from England in 1633 in the ship *Griffin* in company with his pastor, Rev. Thomas Hooker, Rev. Joseph Cotton, and Rev. Mr. Stone. He rem. with the Hooker company from Newtowne, now Cambridge, Mass., to Hartford, in 1636. He d. 1680, and his wife in 1686, their residence being on what is Bushnell Park.

Joseph<sup>2</sup> Mygatt m. in 1655, Sarah Whiting, dau. of William Whiting from London, first treas. of the Connecticut Colony.

Joseph<sup>3</sup> Mygatt m. Nov. 15, 1677, Sarah<sup>3</sup> Webster, b. 1655, Upper Houses, dau. of Robert<sup>2</sup> Webster (Gov. John<sup>1</sup> Webster) and Susanna<sup>2</sup> Treat (Richard<sup>1</sup>).

Zebulon<sup>4</sup> Mygatt, b. Nov. 3, 1693; m. Dorothy Waters, b. Aug. 28, 1704.

Austin<sup>5</sup> Mygatt m. Lament Blinn, b. 1735. He d. Feb. 23, 1776, in the camp of the Continental Army on Bunker Hill.

Sylvester<sup>6</sup> Mygatt, b. Sept. 9, 1774; m. Aug. 29, 1800, Abi Booth, dau. of Elisha Booth of Berlin, Conn. They d. in Kenosha, Wis.

Henrietta<sup>7</sup> Mygatt, b. Sept. 7, 1806, Clinton, N. Y.; m. Sept. 28, 1826, John Bullen, Jr., of Oswego, N. Y. who founded Kenosha, Wis. In 1834 he was deputed by a company of Oswegans to seek out a new home for them in the new country, then coming into notice, west of Lake Michigan. Hiring an Indian guide in Chicago in June, 1834, the two pitched their tent on the spot overlooking



their harbor. He established his pre-emption claim and Kenosha is known for its beauty of situation.

Josephine<sup>s</sup> Bullen, b. May 12, 1850, Kenosha, m. Apr. 9, 1873, Elba Minn, Lester Ranney Brooks.]

312 Dwight Frederick<sup>r</sup> Brooks, M. D. (brother to Lester Ranney), b. June 10, 1849, Redfield, N. Y.; m. Sept. 22, 1875, Winona, Minn., Anna Genevieve Keyes, b. Manchester, Mich., dau. of John Keyes and Angelina Pease. Grad. M. D., Univ. of Michigan. Pres. Brooks-Scanlon Lumber Co.; Rep.; F. & A. M. Res. "Merriam Park," St. Paul, Minn.

*Children:*

Harry Keyes, b. Sept. 4, 1876, Minneiska, Minn.; rem. with parents, 1887, to "Merriam Park," St. Paul, Minn. Grad. 1896, St. Paul High School; 1896-7 student Univ. of Minnesota and interested in athletics; Phi Kappa Psi; assisted his father two years in lumber business; rem., 1901, to Scanlon, Minn., as Asst.-Sec. of Brooks-Scanlon Lumber Co.; unm.; Cong. Res. Scanlon, Minn.

Sheldon Dwight, b. Mar. 31, 1878, Minneiska, Minn., grad. 1897, St. Paul High School; student, 1897-8, Univ. of Minnesota; Phi Kappa Psi; assisted father four years in lumber business; rem. 1902, to Scanlon, Minn., having charge of the railroad and logging operations of Brooks-Scanlon Lumber Co.; F. & A. M.; unm. Res. Scanlon, Minn.

Edward, b. Aug. 8, 1888, "Merriam Park," St. Paul, Minn., attended high school but left on acct. of health and travelled extensively 1905-6. Cong. Assisting father.

313 Anson Strong<sup>r</sup> Brooks (brother to Lester Ranney), b. Sept. 6, 1852, Redfield, N. Y.; m. July 24, 1876, McGregor, Ia., Georgie Andros, b. Sept. 28, 1858, Garneville, Ia., dau. of Richard Salter Storrs Andros and Maria Worthing. Came to Minnesota in 1856. Worked as telegraph operator '68 to '74. Member of firm of Brooks Brothers from 1873 to present time. Have lived in Minneapolis since 1897. Res. Minneapolis, Minn.

*Children:*

Paul Andros, b. Sept. 16, 1881; grad. 1906, Yale Law School, unm. Res. Minneapolis, Minn.

Stanley, b. May 11, 1886; student Yale Shef. Sci. School; d. Oct. 12, 1907.

316 Sarah Shepherd<sup>7</sup> Ranney (Reuben<sup>6</sup>, Jonathan<sup>5</sup>, George<sup>4</sup>, George<sup>3</sup>, Thomas<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>), b. July 28, 1825, Granville, Mass.; m. July 7, 1847, Granville, Mass., Jere Austin Scott, b. Apr. 13, 1806, Ridgefield, Conn. Horticulturist; Rep.; Cong. ch. Res. Ridgefield, Conn., to 1883; Maumee, Ohio, to 1859; Toledo, O., to 1867; Elizabeth, N. J., 1868; Ann Arbor, Mich., to death, July 25, 1892. She was mem. Cong. ch. and died Apr. 2, 1883, Ann Arbor, Mich.

*Children:*

559 Austin, b. Aug. 10, 1848.

Evert Henry, b. Aug. 2, 1850.

Annie Elizabeth, b. Feb. 13, 1855; d. Nov. 29, 1866.

560 Mary Eliza Horton, b. May 3, 1863; m. Dr. C. E. Davis. Ranney Converse, b. Nov. 30, 1867.

317 Timothy Pickering<sup>7</sup> Ranney (brother to Sarah Shepherd), b. Aug. 2, 1818, East Granville, Mass.; m. Apr. 4, 1860, Newark, N. J., Anna Pope, dau. of Samuel Hayes Pennington, M. D., LL. D. and Anna June McClellan Pope. Counsellor-at-law, 1851-1870, Newark; 1870-1874, Elizabeth, N. J.; d. Apr. 24, 1874. Widow Presby.; mem. Col. Dames of N. J.; N. J. Hist. Soc. Res. N. York City.

*Children:*

Sarah Pennington, b. Feb. 23, 1861, unm.

Pennington, b. May 7, 1862, grad. 1882, Princeton Uni.; Instructor in Physics, Rutgers Col.; d. July 18, 1897, Colorado Springs, Col.

Joseph Pope, b. Feb. 20, 1865, unm.; grad. 1886, Princeton Uni., 1889, M. A.; with R. R. Eng. firm to 1891; Sec-Treas. 1891-1899 of Caledonia Mining and Mfg. Co.; adm. 1896 to Pennsylvania Bar; since 1899 Sec-Treas. of Tidewater Bldg. Co., No. 25 W. 26th St., N. Y. City.

Anna Elizabeth, b. June 10, 1868, unm.

317a Lucretia<sup>7</sup> Ranney (Samuel Hall<sup>6</sup>, George<sup>5</sup>, George<sup>4</sup>, George<sup>3</sup>, Thomas<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>), b. June 17, 1796, Ashfield, Mass.; m (1) 1816, Lemuel Sears, b. ———, d. May 28, 1819; m. (2) 1820, Col. Nehemiah Hathaway, b. ———, d. 1844, Grand Rapids, Mich. She d. May 17, 1879, Schoolcraft, Mich.

*Children by 1st marriage:*

Lemuel Sears, b. Aug., 1817; d. June, 1830.

*Children by 2d marriage:*

Caroline, b. Nov. 11, 1821; d. Aug. 21, 1850; m. June 1, 1840, Clark B. Alber of Grand Haven, Mich.



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and the other members of the family, was settled by his father deciding to sell his farm and other property, and that all should move to this new location. So the following year we find them all domiciled at Canandaigua, Ontario County, N. Y. Here, forming a partnership with one Jefferson Moore, they erected a shop and applied themselves to their trade of general carpenters and builders, building dwellings and barns during the warm months of the year, and in the winter months working at wood turning and pattern making. While working in this shop, he made a pattern for a very heavy, large piece of machinery which contained 3200 pieces of wood, closely fitted and glued together. It was a very intricate and difficult piece of work to perform, but when finished it proved perfect in all its parts. This piece of work was ever afterwards his boast and pride.

“In the same year that he settled in his new home, he met and became acquainted with Ann (Ostrander) McCarty, a widow with one child, a son five years old, by name, Levy. This acquaintance terminated in his second marriage, after which they established themselves in a home in Canandaigua and continued to live there until 1840. In this year he rem. to Menominee Falls, a few miles from Milwaukee, then having only a few hundred inhabitants, and built a saw mill, but his means being limited he became foreman of a large force of carpenters in Milwaukee. He then began a building and contracting business for himself, but being prostrated by pneumonia he was compelled to desist for two years. In 1850 he rem. to Beloit, Wis., and established himself on new land, but soon traded it for a home in Hanover and resumed the business of a contractor.

“During his occupancy of this, his last place of residence in Wisconsin, his public life really began. He had served as a Justice of the Peace for two terms, which to all knowledge we have constituted his only official work up to this time; but while living here he was repeatedly elected, qualified and served the Township of Plymouth Rock County, as Chairman of the Board of Supervisors, and also as Justice of the Peace. Up to the year 1860, he belonged to the Democratic Party, and during the administration of President James Buchanan he was appointed and served as Postmaster for Hanover Post Office for one or more years. This was about the years of 1857 and 1858. But while he had always, through life, belonged to and was affiliated with the Democratic party, he was radically opposed to the further extension of slavery; at that time this great question was the leading issue in National politics; Douglas and Lincoln were having those memorable debates throughout the country, the border ruffian war being carried

on at its fiercest stage, trying to decide as to whether Kansas Territory should be received in the Union as a slave, or free state; and as Lincoln had said, it was taken up and made the slogan of the struggle, that a nation cannot long endure, half free and half slave. As his party had practically taken the side and lent their support to the slave power of the country, he, at this stage, severed his relations with the Democratic party and announced to the world that henceforth he should affiliate with the Republican party. Having made this radical declaration, he placed the seal upon it by voting for Abraham Lincoln in 1860 for President. Notwithstanding his change of political faith, the citizens of his Township continued to call him to official positions, keeping him as the Chairman of the Board of Supervisors; and during war times, when drafting had to be resorted to to make up the quota of soldiers, he was engaged in enlisting men and having them credited to his Township. By his vigilance in this matter he secured the required number each time, and thus avoided a draft being made from the citizens of his Township. He was also a fluent public speaker; not in the sense of a polished orator, but recognized as a very forcible debater. Possessing a large store of knowledge, he was always ready to meet an opponent in debate at any time.

Argumentative and logical, he almost always held his audience under his control and they remained to hear his closing words. In his private talks he was known and recognized as a very interesting conversationalist.

“His children had now grown up, yet he had not sufficient lands to supply them all with homes. Desiring that all should become the owners in fee of homes, he sold his holdings in the fall of 1865, and the following spring he bade good bye to his old Wisconsin neighbors and friends. In a covered wagon, with a part of his family (his two older sons having gone on by rail), he tracked 600 miles southwest across the country, landing at the historic town of Osawatomie, Miami County, Kansas, on the 25th day of June, 1866. After looking around a few days, he located four and a half miles southeast of the town on a new piece of land. Being well advanced in years, and feeling that it would be greatly beneficial from a business standpoint to his sons, and also a great relief to him, he retired from further active effort, stepped aside and let the boys lead the way.

“His last years were spent in much reading and study, his appetite for gleaning knowledge from books and all other sources having in no wise in his advancing years become lessened, being relieved from all business cares, surrounded by all the necessary

comforts of life, and constantly having by his side her who had for nearly half a century shared the comforts and sorrows that befell them, day by day, talking over the events of their past lives, and over and over again, going through the reminiscences which were associated with and were a part of their activities, sitting side by side quietly looking out and noting the improvements of the age, and knowing that their own children were moving with the energetic throng in bringing about these changes, for which the world is being made better and better day by day, and listening to the merry peals of laughter which came from the overflow of mirth and joy expressed by playful grandchildren around them, we must say that their last days were the happiest days of their long and well-spent life, and that the world had been made better because they had lived in it.

“For thirty-five years he was a member of the Methodist church, a class leader and Supt. of the S. S. While never giving up his membership, he late in life was led to accept the beliefs of Spiritualism and had certain experiences which confirmed him in these views.

“On the 8th day of April, 1888, just as the sun was sinking to its rest in a clear western sky, with her who had been his confidant for over half a century and with some of his children standing by his bedside, the Angel of Death came and drew aside the curtain that hangs between the mortal and immortal, and said, ‘Come!’ At this announcement, the soul of William Ranney stepped across the boundary into another world.

“Not in words of rapturous shout,  
But voiceless and noiseless the spirit goes out,  
And stands in the presence of God, a child of Heaven new born :  
Like some petal flower opening out of the sod,  
Greeting the sunlight of morn.

“In concluding, we have no apology to offer for the brief record here chronicled. Much more, very much more, could be told; but being cognizant of the fact that space is limited in the biographical record in which this is to be placed, we have thought it proper to use as little space as possible.

“But as a son, we feel that we could not properly say less of a father, or in any other manner than we have given it.”

*Children by 1st marriage:*

561 Daniel, b. 1829.

Pamelia, b. 1831; m. James Barnes, long time editor in Grand Haven, Mich., where she d. Oct. 8, 1869.



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LUKE RANNEY  
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*Children by 2d marriage:*

- 562 Emily, b. Mar. 29, 1838; m. J. B. Vanalstine.  
Phebe Ostrander, b. Nov., 1839; d. Sept., 1857.
- 563 William Ostrander, b. Oct. 24, 1841.
- 564 Andrew Jackson, b. July 24, 1844.
- 565 James Knox Polk, b. July 17, 1848.
- 566 Mary Ann, b. Aug. 31, 1850; m. Orville Niles.

319 Frederic Thompson<sup>7</sup> Ranney (brother to William), b. Mar. 12, 1821, Ashfield, Mass.; m. (1) Eliza Garrison, b. 1819; d. 1854; m. (2) 1857, Frances Antill Bates, b. Dec. 26, 1839, Hopeville, N. Y., dau. of Stephen Bates and Elizabeth Tappen, who res. Greeley, Col. He rem. to Grand Haven, Mich., where for many years he was engaged in the lumber trade and was very prosperous. He d. Dec. 19, 1885. Widow res. Greeley, Col.

*Children by 1st marriage:*

- Samuel Hall, b. Aug., 1844. Res. Detroit, Mich.
- 566a Mary Henrietta, b. Mar. 18, 1846; m. Albert D. Reade.

*Children by 2d marriage:*

- Frederick Tappen, b. Apr. 19, 1859. Res. Detroit, Mich.
- 567 Florence, b. June 10, 1862; m. Frank A. Draper.
- 567a Lewis Jay, b. July 27, 1872.  
Elizabeth, b. May 16, 1875.  
Frances, b. May 24, 1878; grad. 1898, Olivet Coll. with first class honors. Took post grad. course. Teacher in High School, Hoquiam, Wash.

320 James Sumner<sup>7</sup> Ranney (Jesse<sup>6</sup>, George<sup>5</sup>, George<sup>4</sup>, Thomas<sup>3</sup>, Thomas<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>), b. Sept. 15, 1799, Ashfield, Mass.; m. Sally Andrews. In 1878 he rem. to Belding, Mich., where they lived several years with a son and then with a daughter. He d. 1883, Augusta, Mich. A James Ranney of Hartford, Conn., enl. in reg. army in 1814. He did not use the Sumner name in early life.

*Children:*

- 568 Sarah Jane, b. Nov. 9, 1824; m. H. G. Woodard.  
Caroline, b. —————; m. (1) Alden; (2) Young.
- 569 William Edwin, b. Mar. 6, 1827.
- 570 Charles Sumner, b. 1829.
- 571 James Hamilton, b. Mar. 30, 1831.

Elizabeth, b. July 13, 1835; m. July, 1851, Israel W. Field, b. 1823, Conway, Mass.; d. Dec. 27, 1863, Conway, Mass. Builder, Baptist. Widow res. in Hartford, Conn.

*Children:*

Eleanor J., b. Jan. 29, 1856; m. C. G. Fisher. Res. Hartford, Conn.

Edgar J., b. Feb. 10, 1860; m. Gertrude Judd. Res. Hartford, Conn.

572 Austin Sherman, b. Dec. 31, 1840.

573 Salvador Otis, b. Sept. 15, 1846.

321 Charles<sup>7</sup> Ranney (brother of James Sumner), b. Dec. 4, 1803, Ashfield, Mass.; m. (1) Jan. 1, 1839, Sarah Hall, b. May 9, 1814; d. Dec. 31, 1844; m. (2) Mrs. Nancy Davis, who d. 1869, Ashfield. He was a farmer, carrying his produce over the Hoosac Mountains to Albany, N. Y. He d. Apr. 14, 1869, Conway, Mass.

*Children by 1st marriage:*

Martha, b. July 13, 1841; m. July 29, 1869, Theodore Wood, who d. July 2, 1890. Jeweler. She res. Shelburne Falls, Mass.

George, b. Aug. 8, 1843; m. June, 1874, Mary Wilson, who d. Nov. 27, 1879. He d. Aug. 14, 1902, Belding, Mich.

*Children by 2d marriage:*

574 Charles Thomas, b. June 17, 1848.

575 Frederick Eli, b. July 2, 1853.

322 Hannah<sup>7</sup> Ranney (sister of James Sumner), b. Dec. 15, 1805, Ashfield, Mass.; m. Nov., 1827, "Thanksgiving Day," Richard Ellis, b. Mar. 20, 1805, Ashfield, son of Dimick Ellis and Polly Annable. He settled in Pittstown, N. Y.; rem. 1844, to Mich., being 21 days on the journey. Settling at Belding, where he organized a "Christian" church, of which he was deacon. He was a prominent man in the community. He d. Mar. 26, 1878. She d. Feb. 12, 1891, Belding, Mich.

*Children:*

576 Charles Dimick, b. Sept. 24, 1829.

577 Erastus Ranney, b. Mar. 3, 1832.

323 Erastus<sup>7</sup> Ranney (brother to James Sumner), b. Oct. 8, 1807, Ashfield, Mass.; m. ————. Rem. early to Eaton Rapids Mich. He d. Dec. 20, 1893.

*Children:*

Charles, b. ————. Res. Eaton Rapids, Mich.  
 Clementina, b. ————; d. 1887.

324 Amanda<sup>7</sup> Ranney (sister to James Sumner), b. Aug. 17, 1809; d. Oct. 19, 1884; m. (1) 1829, Elijah Richmond, a prominent merchant of Shelburne Falls, Mass.; m. (2) Wilson Elmer.

*Children:*

James Otis, b. ————; d. infancy.  
 578 Alanson Andrews, b. Dec. 29, 1829.  
 Diadama, b. ————; m. Joseph Whiting of Buckland, Mass.  
 Lucretia, b. ————; m. Darwin Ware of Buckland, Mass.

325 Edwin<sup>7</sup> Ranney (brother to James Sumner), b. July 25, 1811, Ashfield, Mass.; m. Jan. 29, 1844, Pittstown, N. Y., Eliza Button, b. Feb. 20, 1825, Pittstown; d. May 5, 1868, Belding, Mich., dau. of Jesse L. Button and Abbey E. Thurber. He was a cooper and rem. to Pittstown, thence to Hungerford, Mich., where he d. June 25, 1895.

*Children:*

579 Edwin Jesse, b. Dec. 11, 1844.  
 580 Marcia Abbie, b. Nov. 15, 1850; m. A. W. Smith.  
 581 Alvor Milton, b. Oct. 25, 1847.  
 581a Franklin B., b. Sept. 21, 1854.  
 Lowden John, b. June 14, 1858, unm. Res. on a ranch, Craig, Col.  
 581b Cora Eliza, b. Apr. 11, 1865.  
 581c Charles Allen, b. May 1, 1868.

326 Ruth Ann<sup>7</sup> Ranney (sister to James Sumner), b. June 24, 1820, Ashfield, Mass.; m. Nov. 8, 1839, Sylvester Woodbridge Hall, b. Aug. 5, 1816, Ashfield, Mass.; d. July 21, 1899, Greenfield, Mass. He was a blacksmith by trade, but became a building mover, residing in Conway, Sherburne Falls, and Greenfield; Rep. and Baptist; she, Baptist, d. July 2, 1897.

*Children:*

William Harrison, b. May 4, 1843; m. Sept. 15, 1869, Juliette Elder. *Children:*  
 Millie L., b. July 21, 1871; m. Sept. 28, 1892, Carroll Denison. Four children.

Charles L., b. May 21, 1873; m. Dec. 2, 1897, Amelia Schuler. Have one child.

Elizabeth E., b. Feb. 24, 1875; m. June 14, 1899, Charles Warner. One child.

Lillian J., b. 1882; m. July 2, 1904, Edward Derens.

Geo. William, b. May 30, 1890.

Ella Adelle, b. Aug. 29, 1845; m. Jan. 8, 1867, David G. G. Baker. Seven children. Res. Guilford, Vt.

Eva Adaline, b. Jan. 12, 1847; m. (1) 1865, Arthur A. Smead, who d. 1876; m. (2) 1890, Newton C. Carpenter. Five children.

Edwin Sylvester, b. Feb. 5, 1850; m. May 1, 1876, Hattie Sophia Robbins, b. July 4, 1849, Deerfield, Mass., dau. of Geo. Washington Robbins and Roxana Harriet Cushman; contractor and builder; res. Greenfield, Mass.,  
*Child:*

Hattie Mabel, b. Feb. 21, 1879.

Alice Ulana, b. Aug. 4, 1852; d. July 17, 1891; m. Edgar A. Dow.

327 Samuel Allen<sup>7</sup> Ranney (Joseph<sup>6</sup>, George<sup>5</sup>, George<sup>4</sup>, George<sup>3</sup>, Thomas<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>), b. Sept. 7, 1811, Chatham, Conn.; m. Sept. 15, 1836, Ashfield, Mass., Flora Selden, b. Aug. 21, 1817, Ashfield; d. May 14, 1888; dau. of Jesse Selden and Deborah Guerney. He was a farmer and mfr. in Goshen, Mass., and d. Apr. 13, 1897, Ashfield.

*Children:*

582 Joseph Lyman, b. Apr. 6, 1838.

Mary, b. Jan. 28, 1840; d. Jan. 13, 1846.

Willis, b. Nov. 4, 1841; d. Oct. 10, 1842.

583 Edward Willis, b. Aug. 9, 1843.

Mary Ella, b. Mar. 3, 1849; d. Aug. 28, 1850.

584 Josephine Idella, b. Nov. 9, 1851; m. Nelson Martin Walden.

328 Sarah Amelia<sup>7</sup> Ranney (sister to Samuel Allen), b. Nov. 18, 1818, Ashfield, Mass.; m. Aug. 25, 1845, Levi C. Kingman, b. Mar. 15, 1819, Goshen, Mass.; mechanic and tool maker; rem. 1846 to Ashfield, 1856 to Northampton, Mass., where he d. Feb. 26, 1899. She d. July 12, 1889.

*Children:*

585 Elbridge Allyn, b. Aug. 15, 1847.

Augusta Fidelia, b. Dec. 24, 1852; unm.; res. Northampton.



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MRS. SABRA (RANNEY) RICHARDSON

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MRS. STELLA FISK-FORESTER  
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MRS. JOSEPHINE IDELLA WALDEN  
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MRS. POLLY (RANNEY) HAWES  
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MRS. CLARISSA (RANNEY) PARKER  
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329 Eliza Ann<sup>7</sup> Ranney (sister to Samuel Allen), b. Sept. 9, 1820, Ashfield, Mass.; m. Sept., 1842, Samuel Kingman, b. June 16, 1816, Goshen, Mass., farmer, who d. Apr. 24, 1903. So. Ashfield. She d. June, 1881, Cummington, Mass. No children.

330 Sabra<sup>7</sup> Ranney (sister to Samuel Allen), b. Dec. 26, 1828, Ashfield, Mass.; m. May 24, 1848, Oscar Richardson, b. Aug. 21, 1821, Conway, Mass., farmer, private Co. D, 52d Reg., Mass. Vols., 1862-63; Meth., Rep.; d. Dec. 28, 1896, So. Ashfield. Widow res. So. Ashfield.

*Children:*

Alice Emma, b. Apr. 25, 1853; m. Herbert Elwin Church.

*Child:*

Austin E., b. Dec. 12, 1886; res. So. Ashfield, Mass.

William Henry, b. June 27, 1856; unm.; res. Northampton, Mass.

Hattie Maria, b. Aug. 24, 1862; m. Mar. 27, 1883, Irving Smith Walden, b. Mar. 27, 1857, farmer. No children. Res. So. Ashfield, Mass.

331 Clarissa<sup>7</sup> Ranney (sister to Samuel Allen), b. Dec. 7, 1832. Ashfield, Mass.; m. Oct. 7, 1855, Calvin Thomas Parker, b. Nov. 21, 1816, New Salem, Mass.; d. Feb. 8, 1902, No. Adams, Mass., machinist. She d. Sept. 5, 1892.

*Children:*

Henry L., b. Sept. 25, 1857; d. Dec. 21, 1859.

Frederick T., b. Apr. 7, 1859; d. Mar. 26, 1860.

Walter George, b. Aug. 28, 1868; m. Jan. 15, 1896, Margaret Elizabeth Jones, b. Nov. 4, 1869, No. Adams, Mass., dau. of David Jones and Anne Burhan; machinist; res. No. Adams, Mass. *Children:*

Lloyd Lester, b. June 22, 1897.

Stanley Walter, b. Jan. 21, 1900.

Donald Earl, b. May 5, 1902.

332 Calista<sup>7</sup> Jepson (Esther<sup>6</sup> Ranney, George<sup>5</sup>, George<sup>4</sup>, George<sup>3</sup>, Thomas<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>), b. Aug. 16, 1821, Ashfield, Mass.; m. Feb. 10, 1841, Leonard Harvey Blanden, b. Mar. 27, 1824, Watertown, Mass., who d. May 24, 1892. Springfield, Mass., where she d. Oct. 7, 1887.

*Children:*

Charles Henry, b. Sept. 13, 1851; d. Sept. 13, 1851.

Lucie Marietta, b. Dec. 12, 1852.

- George Herbert, b. Dec. 6, 1854; clerk, Rep., Cong., F. & A. M., I. O. O. F.; res. Springfield, Mass.  
 Clara Isabella, b. Nov. 29, 1856.  
 Henry Herschel, b. Oct. 19, 1858.

333 Alonzo Franklin<sup>7</sup> Ranney (George<sup>6</sup>, George<sup>5</sup>, George<sup>4</sup>, George<sup>3</sup>, Thomas<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>), b. Sept. 13, 1812, Ashfield, Mass.; m. (1) July 27, 1837, Phelps, N. Y., Damaris Abigail Peck, b. May 4, 1815, Phelps, N. Y., dau. of Horace Peck, of Conn., and Seba Chapman, of Mass., who d. Jan. 12, 1847; m. (2) Sept., 1848, Louisa Race, who d. Jan. 26, 1870; m. (3) Feb., 1871, Antanette Cline, who d. Apr. 1903. He rem. to Phelps, N. Y., where he d. Sept. 24, 1901; farmer, Rep., Bapt., F. & A. M.

*Children by 1st marriage:*

- 586 Henry Sears, b. July 10, 1838.  
 587 Horace Peck, b. June 15, 1840.  
 588 Ella Isabel, b. Apr. 17, 1844; m. H. McBurney.

*Child by 2d marriage:*

- 589 Emory Dayton, b. May 10, 1857.

334 Henry Sears<sup>7</sup> Ranney (brother to Alonzo Franklin), b. Mar. 5, 1817, Ashfield, Mass.; m. (1) June 20, 1844, Maria Jane Goodwin, b. 1822; d. Jan. 14, 1855; dau. of Anson Goodwin; m. (2) June 26, 1856, Julia A. Bassett, b. ———; d. Aug. 25, 1890; dau. of Francis Bassett. In early life he was a merchant on Ashfield Plains, was in business in Boston for four years, ret. to Ashfield, where he was town clerk and merchant for over forty years. He compiled the Ranney data for the Ellis Family of Ashfield. d. Jan. 23, 1899.

*Children by 1st marriage:*

- Ralph Henry, b. Mar. 26, 1845; d. Oct. 30, 1876; m. June 11, 1868, Rosa Sarah Bassett, b. May 7, 1843, Ashfield, dau. of Francis Bassett and Mehetable Ford; private Co. F, 34th Reg., Mass. Vols.; widow res. Ashfield, Mass. *Children:*  
 Clara Maria, b. Jan. 28, 1869; unm.  
 Raymond Ralph, b. July 29, 1871; F. & A. M., U. S. mail carrier; unm.; res. Springfield, Mass.  
 Ella Le Mira, b. Sept. 24, 1847; d. Dec. 21, 1874; m. Albert W. Packard. *Children:*  
 Austin Goodwin, b. ———.



Ella, b. \_\_\_\_\_.

Clara Maria, b. Aug. 2, 1851; d. Sept. 28, 1855.

George Goodwin, b. May 22, 1853; d. Sept. 9, 1853.

335 Lucius<sup>7</sup> Ranney (brother to Alonzo Franklin), b. Apr. 12, 1819, Ashfield, Mass.; m. Nov. 1849, Rome, Mich., Clarissa A. Wilcox, b. June, 1830, Dearborn, Mich.; d. Dec. 10, 1893, Allen, Mich.; dau. of Albert Wilcox, b. 1802, Berkshire Co., Mass. He d. Apr. 4, 1894, Allen, Mich, where he was farmer, and town treasurer, Rep., and Meth.

*Child:*

Caroline E., b. Sept., 1850; d. Feb. 2, 1858.

335a Priscilla Minerva<sup>7</sup> Ranney (sister to Alonzo Franklin), b. Jan. 19, 1822, Ashfield, Mass.; m. Sept., 1847, Allen, Mich., Randolph Densmore, b. 1802, Hopewell, N. Y.; d. 1878, St. Ignace, Mich.; lumberman and mfr., having rem. 1840, to Mich. Widow res. Allen, Mich.

*Child:*

Mary, b. Nov., 1849; d. Aug., 1852.

336 Harrison Jackson<sup>7</sup> Ranney (brother to Alonzo Franklin), b. Mar. 4, 1824, Ashfield, Mass.; m. Jan. 10, 1856, Quincy, Mich., Helen McConnell, b. Aug. 7, 1831, Penn Yan, N. Y.; d. Jan. 24, 1892, Clearwater, Minn.; dau. of James McConnell and Sarah Swartout; farmer and merchant, F. & A. M., Rep.; rem. about 1872, from Hillsdale, Mich., to Clearwater, Minn., where he d. Sept. 27, 1906.

*Children:*

590 Frank Herbert, b. Apr. 15, 1857.

591 Fred Albert, b. May 29, 1859.

592 Mary Minetta, b. Mar. 13, 1861; m. Chas. D. Whittemore. Grace Adel, b. Dec. 10, 1876; d. Jan. 15, 1877.

337 Lemuel Sears<sup>7</sup> Ranney (brother to Alonzo Franklin), b. Jan. 17, 1831, Ashfield, Mass.; m. May 24, 1882, Hillsdale, Mich., Margaret Gilmore, b. Jan. 29, 1843, Hillsdale, Mich., dau. of Samuel Gilmore and Mary Swift. He is the only surviving son of George<sup>6</sup> Ranney. The father dying in 1842, the family rem. 1843, to Allen, Mich., where his only sister, Mrs. Priscilla M. Dinsmore resides now on the old farm. In 1852 Mr. Ranney went to California, and spent three years in mining. Returning he purchased a farm in Hillsdale, but in 1859 he returned to the gold regions of California, Nevada, and Oregon. In 1867 he returned

to Hillsdale and purchased a farm, but later rem. to the city, where he now resides. For six years he was supervisor of Hillsdale Township, has been alderman, and member, 1875, of the Legislature. Since 1895 he has been a County Supt. of the Poor. He is a Rep., and has taken the higher Masonic degrees. Attends the Meth. Ch. His wife is mem. O. E. S. Res. Hillsdale, Mich.

*Child:*

Samuel Owen, b. June 25, 1883.

338 Anson Bement<sup>r</sup> Ranney (brother to Alonzo Franklin), b. May 31, 1833, Ashfield, Mass.; m. Aug. 15, 1855, Hillsdale, Mich., Caroline Baggerly, b. Oct. 16, 1838, Phelps, N. Y., dau. of John Wesley Baggerly and Elizabeth Crain; farmer, Corporal Co. G, 30th Reg., Mich. Vols., Dec. 3, 1864—June 17, 1865; Rep.; d. Mar. 24, 1886, Allen, Mich. Widow and only son res. Hillsdale, Mich.

*Child:*

Everett Levant, b. June 8, 1856; m. Dec., 1881, Harriet King, who d. Oct., 1889. Travelling salesman. Res. Hillsdale, Mich.

339 Horace<sup>r</sup> Ranney (Roswell<sup>6</sup>, Thomas<sup>5</sup>, George<sup>4</sup>, George<sup>3</sup>, Thomas<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>), b. May 22, 1803, Ashfield, Mass.; m. Sept. 24, 1834, Waity Phillips, b. Apr. 14, 1802, Springfield, Mass., dau. of Simeon Phillips. Soon rem. to Phelps, N. Y., and in 1839, to Penfield, N. Y., occupying a farm of 100 acres, erecting good buildings, setting out maples by the roadside, planting extensive orchards. Public spirited, but declining to accept office. Unlike the family in general he had dark eyes, of slender build, of a quiet nature. He died Nov. 24, 1867. The widow d. Feb. 12, 1899, being the oldest person in town, and was known as "Grandma Ranney."

*Children:*

Infant, b. Oct. 16, 1836; d. \_\_\_\_\_.

Infant, b. Apr. 19, 1838; d. \_\_\_\_\_.

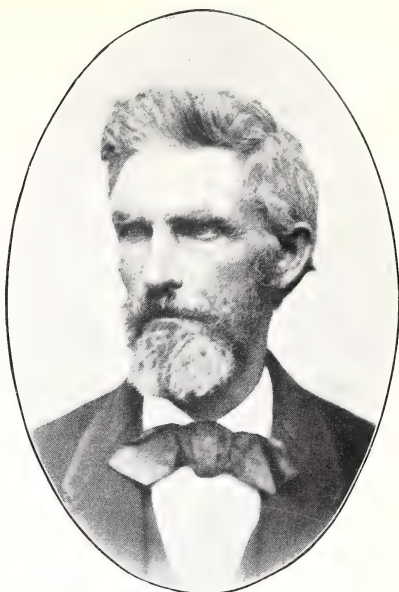
Irinda Mary Eliza, b. Mar. 14, 1840, unm. Res. Penfield, N. Y. Has contributed to the Roswell Ranney lineage.

Waity Charlotte Almira, b. Apr. 12, 1842; d. Oct. 30, 1896.

Horace, b. Nov. 4, 1844, Penfield, N. Y.; m. Apr. 5, 1889, Avon, N. Y., Elizabeth Luitwiller, b. Aug. 15, 1856, Rochester, N. Y., dau. of Henry and Elizabeth Luitwiller from Switzerland. Farmer; Granger; Prohib.; Meth.; no children. Res. Penfield, N. Y.



CECIL J. RANNEY  
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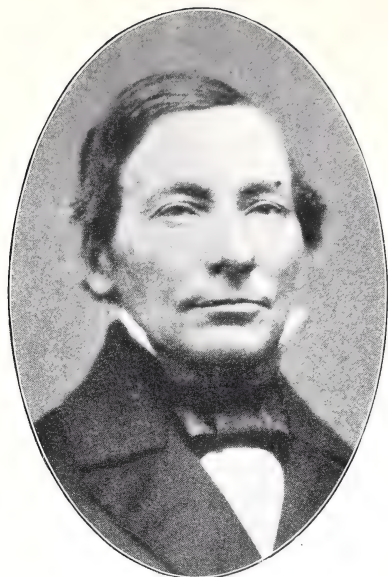
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340 Willis<sup>7</sup> Ranney (brother to Horace), b. Sept. 22, 1805, Ashfield, Mass.; m. Nov. 8, 1837, Hagerstown, Md., Sophia A. Leight, b. July 8, 1811, Hagerstown, d. June 20, 1887, Louisville, Ky., dau. of Benjamin Leight and Catherine James, and was mem. Presby. ch. Willis Ranney studied at Dartmouth, taught school in New York. Rem. to Louisville, Ky., and entered upon the queensware business with Samuel Cassidy, making trips to Europe for the firm, going in a sailing vessel. After some years he went into the dry goods business. He became Sec. and Treas. of the Louisville and Nashville R. R. Co., which position he held for twenty-seven years and until a stroke of partial paralysis unfitted him for business. He was never asked to file a bond as security. He was pensioned by the company for the remainder of his life, which was eight years. He d. Dec. 3, 1893. In politics he had been an old-line Whig, then a Democrat, and his sympathies strengthened with Kentucky ideas. He was a mem. of Epis. ch.

*Children:*

- 593 Sophie, b. Sept. 11, 1838; m. Preston Rogers.  
 Ella, b. Aug. 4, 1840, unm. Res. Louisville, Ky.  
 Benj. Willis, b. May 11, 1842; d. July 28, 1847.
- 594 Sarah Leight, b. June 8, 1844; m. F. L. Davis.
- 595 Edward Ellicott, b. Aug. 25, 1857.

341 Clarissa<sup>7</sup> Ranney (sister to Horace), b. Oct. 3, 1807, Ashfield, Mass.; m. Sept. 24, 1834, Wait Bement, Esq., Ashfield. She d. Mar. 16, 1849.

*Children:*

- Daughter, b. Oct. 26, 1835; died in a week.
- Clara Isabella, b. Mar. 10, 1840; d. Dec. 31, 1841.
- Maria Louise, b. Feb. 5, 1844; m. Oct. 16, 1872, Lewis Strong Ingraham; d. Apr. 18, 1907. Widow res. Springfield, Mass. *Child:*
- Clara Martha, b. Aug. 20, 1878; grad. 1902, Smith Coll., also at Westfield State Normal School; is a teacher.

342 Madison<sup>7</sup> Ranney (brother to Horace), b. Oct. 9, 1809, Ashfield, Mass.; m. Sept. 9, 1840, Brattleboro, Vt., Mary Adeline Cary, b. July 8, 1816, Chesterfield, N. H., who d. Mar. 31, 1877, So. Framingham, Mass. He res. in Brattleboro, Vt., Worcester, Mass., Boston, Mass., and So. Framingham, where for 25 years he was station, freight and express agent for the Boston and Albany R. R. Co. and until his death, May 20, 1876.

*Children:*

- Mary Emma, b. July 9, 1844; d. Jan. 5, 1851.
- 596 Willis Madison, b. Feb. 3, 1846.
- Charles Henry, b. June 29, 1854; unm., Bank clerk. Res. Boston, Mass.
- Mary Emily, b. Aug. 20, 1856; d. July 8, 1889; m. Frank Ashley Day. Broker. Res. Boston, Mass. *Child:*
- Helen Ranney Day, b. Feb. 17, 1881, Roxbury, Mass.; m. Apr. 20, 1904, Major Carlo Montanari of the Italian Army. *Child:*
- Franco Vittorio Montari, b. July 22, 1905, at 510 Fanteria leone, di Calabria, Italy.
- Enma Maria, b. Mar. 9, 1907.

343 Mary<sup>7</sup> Ranney (sister to Horace), b. Oct. 9, 1814, Ashfield, Mass.; m. Apr. 23, 1839, Dr. Milo Wilson, b. Nov. 7, 1807, Shelburne, Mass. He practiced in Ashfield to 1850, when he rem. to Shelburne Falls, where he d. Sept. 28, 1875. She d. Nov., 1877.

*Children:*

- 597 Mary Ellen, b. Aug. 14, 1840; m. Dr. C. E. Severance.
- Isabella, b. Mar. 17, 1843; d. Nov. 12, 1845.
- George M., b. May 6, 1849; d. Aug. 6, 1852.
- 598 Charles Milo, b. Feb. 19, 1852.

344 Hiram<sup>7</sup> Ranney (brother to Horace), b. Aug. 7, 1819, Ashfield, Mass.; m. Jan. 7, 1841, Sarah Smith, dau. of Lucius Smith. He settled on his father's farm, a couple miles out from Phelps, N. Y., and succeeded to the ownership in 1848. In 1862 he rem. about 25 miles to a 120 acre grain and stock farm in a settlement known as "Egypt." Here he made a success of fattening stock for the market. He died Jan. 6, 1897, of pneumonia, having survived his wife a few years.

*Children:*

- Amanda, b. June 7, 1842; m. Apr. 26, 1866, William Van Denmark, who d. Oct. 23, 1896. She res. in Rochester, N. Y. *Children:*
- Willis Ranney, b. Oct. 12, 1873; m. Oct. 13, 1904, Florence Eglantine Curtiss, a grad. of Vassar. He grad. at Cornell, and practices law in Rochester, N. Y.
- Howard Montague, b. July 13, 1881, unm.; grad. Pratt Inst., Brooklyn, N. Y. Res. Brooklyn, N. Y.
- Roswell, b. June 18, 1844; m. Feb. 16, 1875, Clara Lyman

Dunbar. Res. on homestead at Fairport, N. Y. *Children:*

Ellen Howard, b. Sept. 30, 1876; m. Dec. 4, 1895, Ralph Knapp. Res. Fairport, N. Y. *Children:*

Dorothy Ranney, b. May 5, 1898.

Ruth, b. June 23, 1900.

Carl Hiram, b. Feb. 23, 1880. Served in U. S. Navy, 1901-1905. Res. Fairport, N. Y.

Edith Sarah, b. Apr. 5, 1884, teacher.

Clara Dunbar, b. May 1, 1887.

Mary Louise, b. Dec. 3, 1888.

Hiram Francis, b. Feb. 8, 1892.

Mary Lucretia, b. June 14, 1851; d. July, 1880; m. Sept. 5, 1870, William Woolworth Howard.

Ellen Sarah, b. Sept. 30, 1854; d. Feb., 1890; m. Sept. 14, 1876, Eli Barnum Sanford.

Emma D., b. Apr. 5, 1858; m. June 13, 1895, Jerome Woolsey, Macedon, N. Y., b. Jan. 24, 1846, son of Lorenzo and Martha Woolsey; res. Macedon, N. Y.

345 Luke<sup>7</sup> Ranney (William<sup>6</sup>, Thomas<sup>5</sup>, George<sup>4</sup>, George<sup>3</sup>, Thomas<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>), b. Nov. 8, 1815, Ashfield, Mass.; m. May, 1844, Rebecca Lyon, dau. of Dea. Cyrus Lyon of Weedsport, N. Y. He was a very prominent citizen of Eldridge, N. Y., being supervisor in 1857, mem. of Legislature in 1858, 1865, 1867, being recognized as a leading debater.

*Child:*

Frank F., b. ————, 1846, farmer; res. Elbridge, N. Y.

*Child:*

Luke F., died while a College student.

346 Francis<sup>7</sup> Ranney (Giles<sup>6</sup>, Francis<sup>5</sup>, George<sup>4</sup>, George<sup>3</sup>, Thomas<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>), b. Apr. 8, 1800, So. Ashfield, Mass.; m. (1) Dec. 25, 1823, Thankful Clark, b. ————; d. Oct. 1, 1831, sister to Alvan Clark, maker of telescopes; m. (2) Jan. 19, 1832, Anna Howes, b. July 23, 1801; d. May 22, 1893, dau. of Zechariah Howes and Lavina Sears. They celebrated their golden wedding Jan. 19, 1882. He d. Feb. 24, 1885, she May 22, 1893.

*Children:*

Francis Lyman, b. Nov. 16, 1832; d. May 2, 1868, Northampton, Mass.; m. Jan. 24, 1867, Julia Elizabeth Clarke, b. Mar. 13, 1837, dau. of James Lyman Clarke and Elizabeth Parsons. A child died young.

- 599 Nathan Howes, b. Sept. 12, 1835.  
 600 Henry Charles, b. June 29, 1838.  
 601 Anna Thankful, b. Sept. 28, 1841; m. Lyman Albert Bradford.

347 Mary<sup>7</sup> Ranney (sister to Francis), b. Oct. 3, 1810, Ashfield, Mass.; m. May 25, 1832, Alvan Dyer, b. Nov. 6, 1809; d. May 20, 1898, Ashfield; farmer, Rep. She d. Apr. 11, 1868.

*Children:*

- Cornelia Mary, b. Sept. 17, 1833; d. Dec. 7, 1863; m. Dwight Thayer.  
 Willis Alvan, b. Nov. 6, 1836; d. Sept. 7, 1869; m. Jeannette Culver.  
 Benjamin Morris, b. June 6, 1841; d. Apr. 27, 1907; m. Nov. 1, 1871, Lois Howes Williams, b. Jan. 17, 1848, Ashfield, dau. of Ephraim Williams, 2d., and Mary Lucretia Woodward. Widow res. Ashfield. *Children:*  
 Willis Ephraim, b. Mar. 22, 1863; m. June 7, 1894, Ella May Cole, b. Oct. 7, 1869; res. Ashfield. *Child:*  
 Ruby May, b. Feb. 4, 1901.  
 Chauncey Leander, b. Feb. 2, 1876; m. Dec. 25, 1897, Maud L. Church, b. Nov. 7, 1874; no children; res. Ashfield, Mass.  
 Walter James, b. Nov. 15, 1879; m. Jan. 1, 1906, Florence M. Gardner; res. Ashfield.  
 Lydia Ann, b. July 1, 1846; m. John Sykes.

348 James Allen<sup>8</sup> Ranney (brother to Francis), b. Jan. 28, 1813, Ashfield, Mass.; m. Sept. 24, 1839, Henrietta Hayden De Wolf, b. Feb. 29, 1816, dau. of John and Joanna Wright De Wolf; Farmer; d. Sept. 5, 1882, Ashfield.

*Children:*

- Edgar Warham, b. Oct. 4, 1840; d. ———.  
 John Lucius, b. Nov. 4, 1841; d. Oct. 29, 1861.  
 Ellen Elizabeth, b. July 27, 1845. Res. Detroit, Mich.  
 602 Darwin Allen, b. May 8, 1847.  
 Estelle Isabella, b. Dec. 20, 1850; d. Oct. 21, 1876.  
 Lewis Francis, b. June 9, 1858; unm. Res. Ashfield, Mass.

349 Charles<sup>8</sup> Ranney (brother to Francis), b. Dec. 16, 1816, Ashfield, Mass.; d. Oct. 26, 1894; m. Nov. 3, 1840, Eliza Smith.



*Children:*

Horace.

Hiram, b. Nov. 1, 1846; d. Sept. 10, 1900; m. Mar. 3, 1875,

Celia Newell, who res. So. Hadley, Mass. *Children:*

Howard Austin, b. May 27, 1880.

Clayton Newell, b. Oct. 7, 1894.

350 Joel<sup>7</sup> Ranney (Daniel<sup>6</sup>, Francis<sup>5</sup>, George<sup>3</sup>, George<sup>3</sup>, Thomas<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>), b. Feb. 6, 1807, Ashfield, Mass.; m. Nov. 5, 1829, Bethany, N. Y., Elizabeth Peck Champlain, b. July 29, 1811; d. Feb. 19, 1902, Lansing, Mich., dau. of Isaac Champlain (descended from Samuel Champlain, who in 1609 discovered the lake named in his honor), and Sarah Peck. He was a farmer, Whig and Meth., residing in Ashfield, Le Roy and Bethany, N. Y. and Eaton Rapids, Mich., where he died Apr. 16, 1851.

*Children:*

Elizabeth Jane, b. Oct. 24, 1832; d. May 6, 1903; m. John Morris, who d. in 1893.

603 Dr. Hezekiah Bartlett, b. June 7, 1834.

604 Dr. Geo. Emery, b. June 13, 1839.

John Sears, b. Aug. 13, 1841; d. unm. Sept. 1, 1901. In 1869 he was seriously injured in a railroad accident at Port Jervis, N. J.; conducted a drug store in St. John's, Mich.; rem. to Chicago and did a large business in real estate; was a companionable preson.

351 Ozias<sup>7</sup> Ranney (brother to Joel), b. Oct. 13, 1817, Ashfield, Mass.; m. Dec. 14, 1842, Stafford, N. Y., Abbie Bethiah Northrup, b. Rome, N. Y.; d. Apr. 6, 1873, Stafford, dau. of Joshua Northrup and Harriet Ward. He was a farmer and d. Feb. 18, 1847, Stafford.

*Child:*

Marian Charlotte, b. Mar. 9, 1845; m. Feb. 20, 1867, Adelbert William Reddish, b. May 7, 1842, Warsaw, N. Y., Corporal Co. A, 9th New York Cav., Sept., 1861-Aug., 1865; res. Rokeby, Neb. *Children:*

Oscar Dudley, b. Aug. 17, 1875, unm.

Clarence Victor, b. Aug. 9, 1879; m. Apr. 12, 1904, Mary Grimm, b. Apr. 4, 1876, dau. of Henry Grimm and Elizabeth Sutter.

351a John Alden<sup>7</sup> Ranney (Luther<sup>6</sup>, Francis<sup>5</sup>, George<sup>4</sup>, George<sup>3</sup>, Thomas<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>), b. Feb. 6, 1828, Ashfield, Mass; m. Oct. 23,

1847, Caroline Whittemore Belding, b. Aug. 28, 1828, Ashfield, Mass, d. Feb. 21, 1894, Santa Fe, New Mex., dau. of David Belding and Betsy Thayer, both of Ashfield. Contractor, Rep., Univ. Res. Salina, Kan.

*Children:*

- Darwin David, b. Sept. 5, 1850; m. May 20, 1875, Sarah Mark. Res. Utah.
- 604a Carrie Eloise, b. Feb. 8, 1854; m. Charles A. Frederick.
- 604b John Alden, b. Dec. 1, 1859.
- Alda Gertrude, b. June 8, 1862; d. Aug. 9, 1871.
- Lillian Agnes, b. Sept. 3, 1865; m. James Lester. He d.—  
She res. Council Bluff, Ia.
- Bessie Grace, b. July 25, 1868; d. Oct. 2, 1870.

352 Luther Boardman<sup>7</sup> Ranney (Comfort<sup>6</sup>, Comfort<sup>5</sup>, Nathaniel<sup>4</sup>, Nathaniel<sup>3</sup>, Thomas<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>), b. Nov. 28, 1809, Hudson, O.; d. Nov. 10, 1890, Hudson; m. (1) Jan. 12, 1833, Richfield, O., Sally Maria Carter, b. ———; d. July 29, 1846; m. (2) Apr. 6, 187—, Caroline Clapp, b. ———; d. May 26, 1895, dau. of Richard Clapp and Anna Alvord from North Thompson, Mass. After Mr. Ranney's father's death the farm was sold out of the family, and desiring to regain it he went to work for Deacon Hudson for \$5 a month. In due time he purchased the farm whereon he had been born and he lived on it till his death, leaving it to a son and daughter, both of whom reside on it; the name "Floramen" being descriptive of its features. It is a well-cultivated farm. Mr. Ranney was well versed in the Bible, and having a retentive memory he seemed to have learned it by heart. His portrait shows him as he was at 80 years of age.

*Children by 1st marriage:*

- Martha Ann, b. Feb. 27, 1834; d. unm. July 3, 1855.
- Mary Elizabeth, b. Jan. 23, 1836; m. Willis Leach.
- 605 Comfort, b. Feb. 7, 1838.
- Harriet Sophia, b. Sept. 5, 1841; d. Apr. 12, 1907; m. ——— Leach, who res. Elsie, Mich.
- Sarah Maria, b. Jan. 30, 1844, unm.; res. on the farm with her brother, Luther Kelsey.
- Julia Ann, b. Jan. 23, 1848; m. J. R. Criss.
- 606 Luther Kelsey, b. Aug. 19, 1856.
- 606a Carrie May, b. May 3, 1858; m. Oct., 1877, W. H. Evans.

353 Ruth Leonora<sup>7</sup> Ranney (sister to Luther Boardman), b. Dec. 12, 1815, Hudson, O.; m. June 7, 1835, Hiram Volney Bron-

son, b. Dec. 12, 1811, Hudson, O.; d. Nov. 1, 1881, son of Herman Bronson and Mary Hickok from Connecticut. She d. Oct. 29, 1904, Peninsula, O.

*Children:*

- 607 Lucy M., b. 1838; m. Dec. 12, 1871, Plimmon Henry Dudley.  
 608 Emily, b. May 7, 1843; m. Arthur Latham Conger.  
 Herman, b. Aug. 15, 1846; m. Elizabeth Hazlett; res. Chicago, Ill.

354 Elizabeth Jerusha<sup>r</sup> Ranney (sister to Luther Boardman), b. Dec. 29, 1817, Hudson, O.; d. Feb. 20, 1900, Cleveland, O.; m. Apr. 19, 1837, John Ephraim Hulburt, b. Aug. 10, 1815, Madrid, N. Y.; d. July 4, 1885, Cleveland. Merchant, Cong., Rep.

*Children:*

- Mary Elizabeth, b. June 17, 1838; d. Oct. 10, 1861; m. Sept. 12, 1859, Alfred Titus Newton. *Children:*  
 Nellie, b. June 17, 1860; d. May, 1883.  
 Elizabeth Maria, b. Oct. 3, 1861, m. Oct. 17, 1885, John Havelock Early; d. May 17, 1905. *Children:*  
 Margaret, b. Apr. 18, 1890.  
 John Hurlbut, b. Sept. 26, 1891.  
 John Abiram, b. Sept. 12, 1842; d. unm. Feb. 3, 1864.  
 Edmund Ranney, b. Aug. 28, 1845; m. Apr. 22, 1867, Emily Josephine Aldrich. *Child:*  
 Alice May, b. July 6, 1879.  
 Eva Maria, b. Aug. 13, 1853; m. Oct. 3, 1877, Frank L. Ford, b. Jan. 26, 1853; d. Sept. 28, 1897. Insurance, Rep., Cong. Widow res. Cleveland, O. *Children:*  
 Florence Jeannette, b. July 29, 1878.  
 Elizabeth Ranney, b. July 6, 1882.  
 Frank Hulburt, b. July 3, 1884; d. Oct. 16, 1884.  
 Hulburt Ashman, b. Nov. 10, 1887.  
 Denison, b. Feb. 18, 1890.

355 Moses<sup>r</sup> Ranney (brother to Luther Boardman), b. Aug. 12, 1819, Boston, O.; d. June 24, 1895, Macedonia, O.; m. Mar. 20, 1843, Cleveland, O., Miranda Rogers b. Oct. 23, 1826, dau. of Whitelaw Rogers, and Martha Thayer of Vt. The widow in good health res. at Macedonia, O. He became a blacksmith, having been bound out at 14 to learn the trade. Was remarkably entertaining as a story teller.

*Children:*

- Edward George, b. Dec. 21, 1843, Peninsula, O., died on

battlefield of Gettysburg, July 6, 1863. Had served two years.

Luther J., b. June 20, 1848; d. Feb. 10, 1854.

609 Frank Moses, b. Dec. 23, 1852.

610 Jake Luther, b. July 10, 1855.

610a Fred Egbert, b. Mar. 28, 1858.

356 Charlotte Sophia<sup>7</sup>. Ranney (George<sup>6</sup>, William<sup>5</sup>, John<sup>4</sup>, John<sup>3</sup>, John<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>), b. June 1, 1813, Pike Township, Bradford Co., Pa.; m. July 16, 1854, Kirtland, O., Christopher Gore Crary, b. Jan. 22, 1806, Becket, Mass. His parents rem. 1811 to Western Reserve. He d. Mar. 11, 1895, Kirtland; farmer, Rep., and Cong., was author of "Pioneer's Reminiscences." She was Cong. and d. Oct. 14, 1894, Kirtland.

*Child:*

William Ranney, b. Oct. 22, 1855, Kirtland, O.; m. Sept. 24, 1884, Stapleton, Iowa, Carrie May Davis, b. Sept. 24, 1860, Stapleton, dau. of Edmund Willis Davis and Caroline Matilda Randall. P. of H., Dem., farmer and business; res. Kirtland, O. *Children:*

Charlotte Beecher, b. Apr. 12, 1886, student of Oberlin College.

Marion Davis, b. Sept. 27, 1892.

357 Charles Ebenezer<sup>7</sup> Ranney (Ores<sup>6</sup>, Ebenezer<sup>5</sup>, Elijah<sup>4</sup>, Richard<sup>3</sup>, John<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>), b. June 20, 1827, Augusta, N. Y.; m. Dec. 20, 1853, Stockbridge, N. Y., Elizabeth Snell b. June 10, 1833, Stockbridge, N. Y., dau. of Frederick Snell and Eva Starr. Farmer, Dem.; d. Dec. 3, 1894, Stockbridge, N. Y.

*Children:*

611 Eva May, b. June 30, 1855; m. (1) Edward Stewart; (2) Elmer Eaton.

Alice Jane, b. June 3, 1859; d. Dec. 10, 1859.

Harriet Marion, b. July 20, 1860; unm.; res. Vernon Center, N. Y.

Frederick Charles, b. Feb. 28, 1875; d. Apr. 4, 1875.

358 Hiram H.<sup>7</sup> Ranney (Hiram<sup>6</sup>, Ebenezer<sup>5</sup>, Elijah<sup>4</sup>, Richard<sup>3</sup>, John<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>), b. Apr. 17, 1842, Mohawk, N. Y.; m. July 4, 1860, Little Falls, N. Y., Maryette Warner, b. Jan. 14, 1841, Mohawk, dau. of James Warner and Maria Hammond descended from the Boston Tea Party clan. Machinist and tool maker, re-

tired, Treas. of Co., F. & A. M., 3°-33°-96° Egyptian Rite, Rep., Bapt.; wife is O. E. S.; res. Mohawk, N. Y.

*Children:*

612 Marcus Hiram, b. Sept. 27, 1862.

613 John C., b. Aug. 18, 1876.

Bernice C., b. June 9, 1873; d. Mar. 13, 1874.

Charles Garfield, b. June 8, 1880; grad. 1904, Renssalaer Poly. School; F. & A. M., with State survey; res. Mohawk, N. Y.

359 Warren<sup>7</sup> Ranney (brother to Hiram H.), b. Sept. 3, 1846, Mohawk, N. Y.; m. Mar. 6, 1870, Mohawk, Mary Zurena Kingsbury, b. Feb. 28, 1852, Utica, N. Y., dau. of John Kingsbury and Cornelia Bates. Rep., F. & A. M., farmer; res. Mohawk, N. Y.

*Children:*

Alma May, b. Dec. 25, 1870; m. E. C. Quackenbush; res. Mohawk, N. Y.

Myron, b. Sept. 16, 1872; d. Mar. 17, 1875.

Warren Kingsbury, b. Feb. 16, 1876; res. Brooklyn, N. Y.

Son, b. Nov. 28, 1881; d. Sept. 15, 1882.

Earl D., b. May 7, 1887.

360 Abbie Deette<sup>7</sup> Ranney (Oliver Russell<sup>6</sup>, Ebenezer<sup>5</sup>, Elijah<sup>4</sup>, Richard<sup>3</sup>, John<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>), b. Feb. 5, 1847, Stockbridge, N. Y.; m. Aug. 9, 1866, Oneida, N. Y., Walter Robert Lowe, b. Apr. 12, 1841, Buxton, England, son of Thomas Lowe and Martha Ann Thaxter, who came to the U. S. in 1849. He is a contractor and builder; res. Oneida, N. Y.

*Children:*

Russell Walter, b. Mar. 19, 1868; m. Aug. 12, 1891, Mary Louise Beers, Ridgefield, Conn; grad. New York Med. Coll.; served in Bridgeport Hospital, settled in Ridgefield, Conn. *Child:*

Gilbert Ranney, b. July 10, 1894; res. Ridgefield, Conn.

Agnes Elizabeth Lowe, b. May 7, 1872, Oneida, N. Y.; m. Jan. 8, 1895, Oneida, N. Y., Henry Bennett Doxtader.

*Children:* Helen Agnes, Hattie Louise, Russell, Delilah Abbie.

361 Norton William<sup>7</sup> Bingham (Almeda Pamela<sup>6</sup> Ranney, Ebenezer<sup>5</sup>, Elijah<sup>4</sup>, Richard<sup>3</sup>, John<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>), b. May 4, 1841,

Valley Mills, N. Y.; m. Jan. 1, 1880, Oneida, N. Y., Ellen Jane Tubbs, b. Dec. 10, 1859, Vienna, N. Y., dau. of Willard Tubbs and Kate Laughlin. At age of 7 Mr. Tubbs rem. from Conn. to Oneida Lake, N. Y.; where he d. Mar. 4, 1885; res. Oneida, N. Y.

*Child:*

Walter Earl, b. Sept. 4, 1882; d. Sept. 30, 1883.

362 Henry Clay<sup>7</sup> Ranney (Elijah Warren<sup>6</sup>, Rufus<sup>5</sup>, Elijah<sup>4</sup>, Richard<sup>3</sup>, John<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>), b. June 1, 1829, Freedom, O.; m. Sept. 19, 1853, Ravenna, O., Helen Augusta Burgess, b. May 20, 1834, Ravenna, O., dau. of Thomas Scott Burgess and Amelia Coolman (dau. of Hon. Wm. Coolman). Mrs. Ranney, an active member of St. Paul's Epis. Ch., was subject to heart trouble, and died suddenly Nov. 26, 1904. Their golden wedding scene is given herewith.

The father of Mr. Ranney dying when our subject was but six years of age, he was adopted into the family of the Hon. R. P. Ranney, then a rising young lawyer of Jefferson, Ohio. He was at once placed in school and given a good education, and then entered the office of his uncle, Rufus P. Ranney, where he began the study of law. He was admitted to the bar in 1852, and immediately entered into practice at Warren, Ohio, in the office of Judge Birchard. He was afterwards associated with his uncle, John L. Ranney, at Ravenna, with whom he remained until the death of the latter.

In 1874 he came to Cleveland, and entered into partnership with his uncle, Rufus P., and cousin, John R. Ranney. Since 1890 Mr. Ranney has been engaged in practice alone.

In 1862 Mr. Ranney was appointed, by President Lincoln, Assistant Adjutant General of Volunteers with rank of captain, and assigned to duty on the staff of General E. B. Tyler, commanding the first brigade, third division, fifth army corps of the Army of the Potomac. This position he held about two years, during which he participated in the battles of Fredericksburg and Chancellorsville. He then resigned on account of ill health, and, returning to Ravenna, resumed his practice, devoting himself assiduously thereto ever since.

Mr. Ranney has never sought or held a public salaried office of any kind, though he has on frequent occasions been solicited to stand for election to the bench and to Congress.

No lawyer in northern Ohio has a wider circle of close and lasting friendship among his legal brethren on the bench and at the



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bar than has Mr. Ranney, and no lawyer in the State has a higher standing at the bar than he.

Mr. Ranney has for many years been closely identified with the leading movements for the advancement of culture in literature and art in his home city. His known sympathy with such movements, and his unquestioned probity, together with his reputation for safe and conservative business methods, have made him the natural choice as trustee for the many donations of generous-minded persons who have devoted large sums of money to such purposes, and his own wide culture, derived from study and extensive travel in his own country and abroad, render his services invaluable as custodian of these important interests.

Mr. Ranney was one of the founders of the Western Reserve School of Design, and is president of the Cleveland Museum of Art. He is a life trustee of Case Library, and holds an LL. D. from Kenyon College. He did excellent work as a trustee of the Cleveland Free Library. He is a former president of the Cleveland, Canton & Southern Railway Company, and a life member of the Chamber of Commerce. Mr. Ranney is a 32° Mason, and belongs to the Army and Navy Corps, the Army of the Potomac, and is a companion of the Loyal Legion. He is a member of the Union, Country, Euclid, Rowfant, Church, Castalia, Golf, and University Clubs of Cleveland, and the National Art Club. He is a member of the American Bar Association, the Ohio State Bar, and the Cleveland Bar Associations, also a trustee of the John Huntington Benevolent Trust, the Art and Polytechnic Trust, and a member of the State Board of Charities; a director of The Guardian Savings & Trust Company, The Citizens Savings & Trust Company, the Society for Savings, Continental Sugar Company, and of the Cleveland & Pittsburg Railroad Company. He is an Episcopalian, and senior warden of St. Paul's Church.

Mr. Ranney is one of those men whose lives are full of unsought honors of the truest sort, and the solid, substantial, and permanent rewards of unselfish lives. The love and confidence of all who know him are the crown of a long, useful, and successful career. Res. Cleveland, O.

*Children:*

- 614 Amelia Coolman, b. Aug. 7, 1855; m. Horace Bassett Corner.  
 Emily Adele, b. Dec. 27, 1857; d. Nov. 22, 1858.  
 Henry Percival, b. Oct. 30, 1859; d. Jan. 21, 1880.
- 615 Helen Gertrude, b. May 10, 1866; m. Fred T. Sholes.  
 Mary Clewell, b. May 10, 1868; d. Aug. 19, 1883.  
 Julia Kathrine, b. Sept. 25, 1871; d. Aug. 10, 1891; unm.

616 Helen Burgess, b. Jan. 19, 1878; m. Dr. Large.

364 Charles Percival<sup>7</sup> Ranney (Rufus Percival<sup>6</sup>, Rufus<sup>5</sup>, Elijah<sup>4</sup>, Richard<sup>3</sup>, John<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>), b. Oct. 7, 1847, Warren, O.; m. Feb. 12, 1873, Cleveland, O., Alice Gregory Benedict, b. Dec. 12, 1851, Cleveland, dau. of Edwin G. Benedict and Philena Osborn. Retired attorney, Epis. Res. Cleveland, O.

*Children:*

Rufus Percival, b. May 24, 1874; m. ——— Sawyer. Res. Cleveland, O.

616a Cornelia Alice, b. July 6, 1875; m. John N. Stockwell, Jr.  
Constance Ethel, b. Mar. 6, 1882; d. same year.  
Alice Elizabeth, b. Jan. 23, 1894.

365 John Rufus<sup>7</sup> Ranney (Rufus Percival<sup>6</sup>, Rufus<sup>5</sup>, Elijah<sup>4</sup>, Richard<sup>3</sup>, John<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>), b. Oct. 5, 1851, Warner, O.; d. June 4, 1901, Cleveland, O.; m. Nov. 17, 1881, Cleveland, O., Mary Luggett, b. Cuyahoga Falls, O., dau. of David Luggett, b. Scarborough, Eng., and Sarah Elizabeth Page. He was a lawyer, and mem. Epis. Ch. She mem. St. John's Epis. Ch., Cuyahoga Falls; res. Cleveland. No children.

366 Emily<sup>7</sup> Ranney (Joel<sup>6</sup>, Joel<sup>5</sup>, Stephen<sup>4</sup>, Richard<sup>3</sup>, John<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>), b. Jan. 15, 1835, Plain Township, Franklin Co., O.; m. Apr. 3, 1859, Ohio, George Clark, b. 1812, d. Aug. 15, 1886, Ames, Kansas, son of John and Olive Clark. He rem., 1870, to Kansas. Served in the Civil War. Widow res. Ames, Kan.

368 Joel Cyrus<sup>7</sup> Ranney (Joel<sup>6</sup>, Joel<sup>5</sup>, Stephen<sup>4</sup>, John<sup>3</sup>, John<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>), b. Feb. 8, 1848, Franklin Co., O.; m. June 20, 1872, Nellie Powell, b. Mar. 31, 1857, Illinois, dau. of E. Powell, and granddau. of J. J. Hyatt, who served in the Civil War. Rem. to Kansas under the homestead law; farmer; res. Ames, Kan.

*Children:*

Abiah Ellen, b. Nov. 22, 1875.

616b Nellie Blanche, b. Oct. 14, 1878; m. John Ira Miller.

616c Edith Josephine, b. Mar. 17, 1880; m. M. O. Bland.

369 Catherine Eliza<sup>7</sup> Knox (Alanson Ranney<sup>6</sup> Knox, Hannah<sup>5</sup> Ranney, Abner<sup>4</sup>, Richard<sup>3</sup>, John<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>), b. May 27, 1827, Utica, N. Y.; d. Oct. 21, 1876, Concordia, Kansas; m. Mar. 18, 1849, Dansville, N. Y., Rev. Joseph Castle Dana, b. Nov. 29,

1827, Owego, N. Y.; clergyman M. E. Church, private Co. A, 153d Ill. Vols.; Supt. Cloud Co., Kansas, Schools, 1877-8; Rep. He m. (2) Mar. 24, 1880, and res. Modesto, Cal.

*Children:*

- Ella Maria, b. Mar. 17, 1850; m. Rev. G. W. Moxcey.  
 Henry Hobart, b. Dec. 14, 1852; d. Apr. 23, 1870.  
 Chester Park, b. Oct. 11, 1855.  
 Charles Knox, b. Mar. 11, 1857.  
 Henrietta Eliza, b. Sept. 3, 1861; m. Arthur Moxcey.  
 Mary Grace, b. Dec. 7, 1862; m. Mar. 20, 1888, Roseville, Pa., James Sackett Wilson, b. Mar. 26, 1857, Tioga Co., Pa., son of Henry S. Wilson and Roxania Stark; Rep., Meth., F. & A. M.; she Unitarian; res. Concord, Mass. *Children:*  
 Stark Dana, b. Dec. 11, 1888.  
 Jessie Mabel, b. July 13, 1893.  
 Mildred Roxania, b. Jan. 7, 1895.  
 Edwin Henry, b. Aug. 23, 1898.  
 Eva Louise, b. Sept. 16, 1870; m. Dr. John H. Moore.

370 Henrietta Matilda<sup>7</sup> Knox (sister to Catherine Eliza), b. Jan. 2, 1833, N. Y. City; m. Mar. 12, 1856, Bristol, Wis., Rev. Thomas Elliott<sup>8</sup> St. John, b. Mar. 2, 1831, Canterbury, N. Y. (Albert<sup>7</sup>, Jesse<sup>6</sup>, Nathan<sup>5</sup>, Daniel<sup>4</sup>, James<sup>3</sup>, Matthias<sup>2</sup>, Matthias<sup>1</sup>). The widow resides with her son in Brookline, Mass. Rev. Mr. St. John grad. in medicine in 1856, but was settled as Universalist pastor in New Bedford, Mass., 1859-1862; in Worcester, 1862-1866, and again in 1869-1879. In the interval he was minister of the Church of the Redeemer in Chicago. After a short pastorate in Auburn, N. Y., he entered the Unitarian fellowship, with settlements at Haverhill, Mass., 1883-1893, and at Eastport, Me., 1897, till his death, February 25, 1906. During his residence in Worcester, he was the highest officer of the Masonic Lodge, Chapter, Council, and Commandery. In 1873-5 Grand Master of the Grand Council Royal and Select Masters of Massachusetts. In 1875-9 and 1882-97 Grand Prelate of the Grand Commandery of Massachusetts and Rhode Island. While in Worcester he represented that city for one term in the legislature, and while in Haverhill was in the legislature of 1892, 1894, 1895, and 1896. Politics did not agree with him, and, upon receiving a call from the First Parish of Eastport, Maine, he gladly returned to his true occupation. A quotation from an obituary notice written by Rev. J. C. Perkins, D. D., of Portland, for the Uni-

tarian Year Book of 1906, shows the esteem in which he was held by his brother ministers:

“His very valuable ministry in Eastport crowned a life of stable worth, of sturdy, devout character—a life that disclosed in the man himself the natural results of personal consecration, and glorified anew the type of service offered by a minister pledged to freedom of thought and the wider welfare of the community he lives in. As minister of the oldest church in Eastport, as friend of all the people, as superintendent of schools through most of his residence, as president of the Public Library Association, as prominent in Masonic orders, there was found a full and free expression of this man’s native and most useful qualities. . . . There was ever the strong impression of poise and quiet self-control, which was emphasized by his impressive personal appearance.”

*Child:*

Charles Elliott, b. Dec. 19, 1856, Prairie Du Chien, Wis.; m. June 26, 1888, Dover, Mass., Martha Elizabeth Everett, b. Nov. 16, 1863, Dover, Mass., dau. of George Draper Everett and Martha Allen Plummer; grad. 1888, Smith College; Assn. of Coll. Almanæ; College Club, Boston. Rev. Mr. St. John grad. 1879, Harvard; 1883, B. D., and A. M., Harvard; 1883, ord. and sett. pastor Unit. Church, Northampton, Mass.; 1891 to Unit. Ch., Pittsburg, Pa.; since 1900 Sec. of Am. Unit. Assn., with office at 25 Beacon Street, Boston, and residence at Brookline, Mass. *Children:*

Everett, b. Mar. 27, 1889.

Harold, b. July 25, 1892.

Prescott Keyes, b. May 8, 1899; d. Feb. 24, 1900.

Lyman, b. May 8, 1899; d. Feb. 26, 1900.

371 Harriet Jane<sup>r</sup> Knox (sister to Catherine Eliza), b. Feb. 26, 1840, Dansville, N. Y.; m. June 2, 1861, Kingston, Wis., Francis Gilbert Knight, b. Sept. 19, 1832, Eastport, Me.; farmer and stone mason, Meth., Prohi., G. A. R.; private Co. C. 32d Wis. Vol. Inf., Aug. 14, 1862—June 12, 1865; res. Kingston, Wis.

*Children:*

Amelia Wellman, b. Aug. 13, 1862; m. Aug. 11, 1902, Alexander Scott Semple; res. Kingston, Wis.

Catherine Mabel, b. Aug. 7, 1866; unmm.

Gilbert Alanson, b. Jan. 6, 1868; m. July 12, 1899. Mary

Alice Foss, b. Oct. 8, 1871, dau. of Ole Enderson Foss

and Martha Ann Gunderson; Justice Peace, school clerk; res. Kingston, Wis. *Children:*

Harold Webster, b. July 19, 1902.

Chas. Francis, b. Sept. 19, 1903.

Reginald Gilbert, b. Aug. 3, 1905.

Francis Allen, b. Dec. 19, 1869; m. Oct. 25, 1905. Daisie

Alice Ramey, b. May 14, 1882; farmer and artist, Meth., Prohi.; res. Norwood, Minn. *Child:*

Francis Mabel, b. Sept. 10, 1906.

Henry Porter, b. June 27, 1872; m. Dec. 27, 1898, Christina

Augusta Lichttenegger; farmer, Prohi., Meth.; res. Arlington, Minn. *Children:*

Pearl Mabel, b. Oct. 21, 1899.

Arthur Edward, b. June 27, 1902.

Irma Frances, b. July 23, 1904; d. Mar. 15, 1906.

Wilmer Franklin, b. July 15, 1906.

371a Fayette Almeron<sup>7</sup> Allen (Samuel Allen<sup>6</sup>, Lovisa<sup>5</sup> Ranney, Abner<sup>4</sup>, Richard<sup>3</sup>, John<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>), b. Sept. 19, 1841, Augusta, N. Y.; m. Oct. 30 186—, Augusta, N. Y., Fidelia Amanda King, b. Oct. 28, 1840, Augusta, N. Y. Private Co. I, 8th New York Cavalry, Oct., 1861—June 27, 1865; in 38 engagements and wounded at Cold Harbor, June 3, 1864. Res. Ashtabula, O.

*Children:*

Myrtle Dwight, b. Dec. 6, 1868; d. Sept. 17, 1869.

Miles Fayette, b. March 6, 1877; unm. Res. Ashtabula, O.

372 Harriet Edna<sup>7</sup> Cook (Mary Ann<sup>6</sup> Ranney, Abner<sup>5</sup>, Abner<sup>4</sup>, Richard<sup>3</sup>, John<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>), b. Sept. 19, 1851, Sheridan, N. Y.; m. Oct. 5, 1869, Sheridan, N. Y. Harvey Morrison Bailey, b. Mar. 18, 1847, Fredonia, N. Y.; Dem., Supervisor, I. O. O. F., Meth., Com. of Highways; res. Dunkirk, N. Y.

*Children:*

619 Harvey Carlton, b. Nov. 19, 1874.

Ruth May, b. May 12, 1879; unm.; grad. New Castle, Pa., Bus. Coll., Typewriter; res. New Castle, Pa.

373 Cassius Wells<sup>7</sup> Ranney (Lyman Wells<sup>6</sup>, Abner<sup>5</sup>, Abner<sup>4</sup>, Richard<sup>3</sup>, John<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>), b. Feb. 18, 1861, Cooperstown, Pa.; m. (1) Nov. 19, 1886, New Castle, Pa., Clara F. Crowther, b. 1861, d. ———; m. (2) Sept. 17, 1895, Cooperstown, Pa., Fannie A. Byers, b. 1863. Pharmacist, real estate, Rep., Presby., Alderman. K. of P., F. & A. M. Res. New Castle, Pa.

*Child:*

Frank Burton, b. Oct. 31, 1897.

374 Robert Burton<sup>7</sup> Ranney (brother to Cassius Wells), b. Jan. 10, 1865; m. (1) Oct. 11, 1888, Cooperstown, Pa., Tempa Lena Byers, b. July 12, 1865, d. June 3, 1895; m. (2) Oct. 16, 1901, New Castle, Pa., Cora E. Miller, b. Jan. 22, 1878. Pharmacist, real estate, Rep., Presby., F. A. M., K. of P. Mr. Ranney was the first person to advocate the formation of a Ranney Memorial Association and sent a generous contribution as an earnest of good wishes. Res. New Castle, Pa.

*Child:*

Elizabeth, b. July 14, 1904.

374a Lura May<sup>7</sup> Ranney (sister to Cassius Wells), b. July 7, 1870, Cooperstown, Pa.; d. Dec. 25, 1905; m. Aug. 9, 1892, Harry M. Good. Res. New Castle, Pa.

375 Bernice<sup>7</sup> Ranney (Harmon<sup>6</sup>, Abner<sup>5</sup>, Abner<sup>4</sup>, Richard<sup>3</sup>, John<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>), b. Mar. 9, 1851, Forestville, N. Y.; m. (1) May 18, 1872, New Lisbon, Wis., Joseph Hinton, b. Mar. 30, 1845, Illinois; rem. to Wis. when a child. Private Co. B, 49th Reg., Wis. Vol. Inf.; disc. Aug. 19, 1865, at Rolla, Missouri; postmaster at New Lisbon, Wis., from 1870 to death there, Feb. 3, 1874. She m. (2) July 15, 1894, Charles Dye, Forestville, N. Y., who served as 2d Lieut. Co. D, 90th Battery, N. Y. Vet., and d. Feb. 3, 1897, Forestville, N. Y. Widow is Bapt., Macca-bees, and resides in Forestville, N. Y.

*Child:*

620 Josephine Julia Hilton, b. June 15, 1879; m. Jesse M. Woodward.

376 Sarah Etta<sup>7</sup> Ranney (sister to Bernice), b. June 15, 1853, Forestville, N. Y.; m. Jan. 27, 1875, New Lisbon, Wis., Judson Brewster, b. Feb. 18, 1851, Illinois; Rep., Bapt., miller and railroad contractor; she was Bapt., and d. Mar. 27, 1895, New Lisbon, Wis. He res. at Winona, Wis.

*Children:*

Charles, b. Jan. 4, 1877; d. Mar. 24, 1893.

John, b. Sept. 4, 1880.

377 Sheldon<sup>7</sup> Ranney (brother to Bernice), b. Feb. 19, 1859,

Fountain, Wis.; m. Apr. 15, 1883, New Lisbon, Wis., Hattie Judevine, b. Oct. 22, 1862, Clifton, Wis., dau. of Horace Judevine and Harriet Webster; farmer, Rep., Woodman, F. & A. M., Frat. Union; res. Hustler, Wis.

*Children:*

Fern, b. Oct. 16, 1883; m. Mar. 6, 1906, Earl Bingham; res. De Soto, Wis.  
 Avery L., b. Nov. 3, 1886.  
 Frank, b. June 16, 1889.  
 Mildred, b. July 18, 1892.  
 Irma, b. Nov. 26, 1894.  
 Glenn Allison, b. Sept. 4, 1896.

378 Bertha<sup>7</sup> Ranney (sister to Bernice), b. Apr. 11, 1867, Sedalia, Mo.; m. Aug. 27, 1895, New Lisbon, Wis., Andrew Jackson Swezey, b. Dec. 30, 1869, Knoxville, Iowa; Rep., Uni., F. & A. M., Elk, Woodman; grad. of No. Ill. Normal School, and Keokuk Med. Sch., 1897. She grad. New Lisbon High School, 1886, taught for some years, grad. Northern Ill. Normal School, 1894; res. Decorah, Iowa.

*Children:*

Ruth Elena, b. Mar. 20, 1897.  
 Paul Howard, b. Feb. 25, 1899.

379 Lamira Corinthia<sup>7</sup> Ranney (Timothy Alonzo<sup>6</sup>, Joel<sup>5</sup>, Abner<sup>4</sup>, Richard<sup>3</sup>, Thomas<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>), b. Sept. 1, 1841, Colden, N. Y.; d. Dec. 21, 1902, Colden; m. Aug. 28, 1857, Alden, N. Y., Albert George Southwick, b. Feb. 5, 1835, Colden, N. Y.; d. Jan. 5, 1892, Colden; farmer and Rep.

*Children:*

Timothy Henry, b. Jan. 1859; d. Feb., 1859.  
 Alma Amanda, b. June 16, 1861; m. July 31, 1881, William Andrew Day; res. Delevan, N. Y.  
 Frank Ray, b. Oct. 2, 1867.  
 Marian Louisa, b. Oct. 11, 1870; m. Jan. 30, 1895, Boston, Erie Co., N. Y., Henry Charles Freedham, b. May 23, 1873, Clacton-on-sea, Essex, England; family went to Australia in 1880, to New York in 1883, to Buffalo in 1884, to Colden in 1890; contractor and builder, Rep., Epis.; res. Colden, N. Y. *Children:*  
 Mildred Emily, b. Dec. 16, 1895.

Helen Margaret, b. May 30, 1897.  
 Katherine Blanche, b. Feb. 19, 1899.  
 Hazel Lamira, b. Sept. 6, 1905.  
 Guy Ranney, b. Apr. 14, 1874; m. Feb. 28, 1900. Colden,  
 Anna Vivian Barron, b. July 26, 1868, Holland, N. Y.,  
 dau. of Grame Barron and Carrie Giesler; farmer;  
 res. Colden, N. Y. *Children:*  
 Bernice Clyde, b. Jan. 20, 1902.  
 Lamira Alma, b. July 21, 1904.  
 Ida Grace, b. Nov. 5, 1905.  
 Ida Ethel, b. May 16, 1877.

380 Louisa Content<sup>7</sup> Ranney (sister to Lamira Corinthia), b.  
 Aug. 26, 1842, Aurora, N. Y.; m. Mar. 1, 1866, Rochester, Minn..  
 Asa Bray Harte, b. Mar. 23, 1833, Mercer Co., Pa., farmer; res.  
 Hammond, Minn.

*Child:*

Archie Ernest, b. Dec. 28, 1873; m. Cora May Bulen.

381 Mary Adaline<sup>7</sup> Ranney (sister to Lamira Corinthia), b.  
 Feb. 14, 1853, Colden, N. Y.; m. Mar. 10, 1872, Buffalo, N. Y..  
 Charles Henry Decker, b. Aug. 2, 1842, Aurora, N. Y., mail  
 carrier, Dem., Bapt., I. O. G. T.; res. Dunkirk, N. Y.

381a Mattie Florence<sup>7</sup> Ranney (sister to Lamira Corinthia),  
 b. June 15, 1860, Colden, N. Y.; m. July 2, 1881, Dunkirk, N. Y.,  
 Jediah Darbee Thurber, b. Dec. 31, 1861, West Falls, N. Y.,  
 grocer, S. of V., Prohib., Meth., Maccabee. She is Meth., W. C.  
 T. U. Res. East Aurora, N. Y.

382 John Goodhue<sup>7</sup> Ranney (Oliver Franklin<sup>6</sup>, Oliver<sup>5</sup>, Abner<sup>4</sup>,  
 Richard<sup>3</sup>, John<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>), b. Apr. 29, 1845, Augusta, N. Y.; m.  
 Nov. 2, 1871, Man-  
 lius, N. Y., Catherine  
 Elizabeth Overhiser,  
 b. July 18, 1847,  
 Kirkville, N. Y., dau.

*John G. Ranney*

of John Barnett Overhiser and Catherine Chawgo of Chittenango.  
 N. Y.; mem. 1st Ch. of Christ, Scientist, and Dau. of Liberty.  
 Mr. Ranney has rendered valuable assistance in preparing the  
 line of Abner<sup>4</sup>, is Vice Pres. of Society of Middletown Upper



Houses, Red Men, Rep., machinist, private Co. E, 101st N. Y. Vol. Inf., disc. for disability; res. Syracuse, N. Y.

*Children:*

- Edna Lelian, b. Jan. 27, 1873; unm.; res. Syracuse, N. Y.  
 Earl Eugene, b. July 5, 1876, Hamburg, Ia.; m. Nov. 16, 1899, Syracuse, N. Y., Edith Estelle Orr, b. July 19, 1879, Wappinger's Falls, N. Y., dau. of Charles Henry Orr and Georgiana Burr; Bapt., Rep., electrician, private Co. C, and trumpeter 4th U. S. Cav., Apr. 10, 1896—Apr. 18, 1899, being in various battles in Philippine Islands; res. Cleveland, O. *Children:*  
 Eugene Earl, b. Sept. 24, 1901.  
 Doris Edith, b. Nov. 4, 1902.  
 Georgiana Grace, b. Apr. 4, 1906.  
 Floyd Franklyn, b. May 11, 1879; d. Nov. 9, 1897.  
 Leah Emma, b. Mar. 5, 1886; d. Aug. 4, 1886.  
 Nina Marion, b. June 18, 1887.

383 Barzillai Frank<sup>7</sup> Ranney (brother to John Goodhue), b. Dec. 24, 1847, Augusta, N. Y.; m. Aug. 12, 1885, Eliza Adelaide Husted, b. Oct. 10, 1851, Annsville, N. Y., dau. of George Husted (whose father served as fifer in War of 1812, and grandfather David was captain in 6th Albany Co., Reg. of N. Y. State Militia, 1778-84) and Deborah Randolph. She is Pres. of W. C. T. U. since 1896, and mem. Uni. Ch. He is Prohi., carpenter and farmer, mem. Presby. Ch.; res. Taberg, N. Y.

384 Rudolph<sup>7</sup> Ranney (Daniel Wells<sup>6</sup>, Oliver<sup>5</sup>, Abner<sup>4</sup>, Richard<sup>3</sup>, John<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>), b. July 30, 1847, Knoxboro, N. Y.; m. 1874, Rockport, Mo., Eunice Nina Duncan, of Beloit, Wis., dau. of Anson Maltby Duncan and Angeline Warner; rem. 1871, to Rockport, Mo.; 1874, to Los Angeles, Cal., where for years he was Judge of the Criminal Court of City and Co. of Los Angeles; d. Feb. 10, 1889, of Bright's disease; widow m. Charles De Averau; res. Johannesburg, S. Africa. No children.

385 Frank Warner<sup>7</sup> Ranney (brother to Rudolph), b. Feb. 8, 1850, Knoxboro, N. Y.; m. Feb. 7, 1876, Tarkio, Mo., Lucy Carney, b. July 9, 1859, dau. of Thomas Carney and Phebe Elizabeth Baxter, who d. Jan. 14, 1888, Tarkio, Mo.; Rep., Meth., A. O. F. A. He d. May 10, 1902, Keswick, Cal.

*Children:*

- Mabel Gladys, b. Oct. 1, 1879; m. Sept. 25, 1907, William Emmet Edmond; res. Los Angeles, Cal.  
 Doris, b. 1881; d. 1882, Ellsworth, Kan.  
 Warren Rudolph, b. June 13, 1883; res. Los Angeles, Cal.; unm., student, Rep., Christian Ch.  
 Frank Merle, b. 1885; d. Nov. 19, 1887.

385a John Jay<sup>7</sup> Ranney (Milo<sup>6</sup>, Wells<sup>5</sup>, Abner<sup>4</sup>, Richard<sup>3</sup>, John<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>), b. Mar. 15, 1843, Pekin, N. Y.; m. July 8, 1866, Clarence Center, N. Y., Elizabeth Batchelder, b. Sept. 11, 1845, Royalton, N. Y., dau. of Isaac Batchelder and Emily Schunck; private and farrier Co. I, 2d New York Mounted Rifles, Oct. 10, 1863—Aug. 10, 1865; wounded June 7, 1864, Cold Harbor; in many battles; Rep., night watchman; res. Lockport, N. Y.

*Children:*

- Minnetta, b. Jan. 9, 1868, Royalton, N. Y.; m. Jan. 12, 1887, Albert Edward Dayer, b. Nov. 16, 1863, Lockport, N. Y., son of John Dayer and Elizabeth J. Bonn-sall, erecting eng.; res. Lockport, N. Y. *Children:*  
 John Walter, b. Feb. 22, 1888.  
 Raymond Charles, b. Feb. 18, 1890.

385b Milo Wells<sup>7</sup> Ranney (brother to John Jay), b. Apr. 14, 1862, Lockport, N. Y.; m. Aug. 2, 1881, The Rapids, N. Y., Nellie Florence Shultz, b. July 10, 1862, Toledo, O., dau. of John William Shultz and Mary Quinn; Rep., I. O. O. F.; res. Lockport, N. Y.

386 Julia Almira<sup>7</sup> Ranney (Harvey Henderson<sup>6</sup>, Wells<sup>5</sup>, Abner<sup>4</sup>, Richard<sup>3</sup>, John<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>), b. ———; m. Mar. 28, 1872, Hutchinson, Minn., Elmer A. Stanton; res. Portland, Oregon.

*Children:*

- Henry Oliver, b. Jan. 4, 1873; d. May 24, 1905.  
 Bertram Edwin, b. Sept. 14, 1875.  
 Eva Eliza, b. Feb. 25, 1878.  
 Cora May, b. Apr. 10, 1881.

387 Charlotta Eliza<sup>7</sup> Ranney (sister to Julia Almira), b. ———; m. Dec. 23, 1886, Hutchinson, Minn., A. Lee White-lock; res. San Diego, Cal.

*Children:*

Sadie Euphana, b. Jan. 21, 1888.  
 Florence Elnora, b. Sept. 3, 1890.  
 James William, b. May 31, 1892.

388 Eva Belinda<sup>7</sup> Ranney (sister to Julia Almira), b. ———; m. Feb. 24, 1892, Hutchinson, Minn., Clarence Walter Gillette; res. Woodburn, Oregon.

*Children:*

Alpheus Jay, b. June 23, 1894.  
 Clarence Jones, b. Sept. 9, 1901.

389 Francis Leroy<sup>7</sup> Ranney (Philo<sup>6</sup>, Lyman<sup>5</sup>, Abner<sup>4</sup>, Richard<sup>3</sup>, John<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>), b. Dec. 16, 1847, York, Wis.; m. Jan. 1, 1868, Beaver Dam, Wis., Hannah Peck, b. Aug. 19, 1849, Sun Prairie, Wis., dau. of Joseph Peck and Eleanor Moore; farmer and stock raiser, Rep., Meth., G. A. R., Corp. Co. G, 49th Reg., Wis. Vols., Feb. 27, ————Nov. 1, 1865; ret. from farm, 1898; res. Algona, Iowa.

*Children:*

Frank Emerson, b. Mar. 1, 1869; m. Nov. 2, 1892, Burt, Ia., Sarah Angeline Moore, b. Sept. 10, 1873, Rome, Wis., dau. of John Moore and Rachel Loretta Hill; farmer, Rep.; res. Irving, So. Dakota. *Children:*  
 Maude Mariette, b. Aug. 12, 1894.  
 Francis John, b. Apr. 8, 1897.  
 Arden Ernest, b. Aug. 21, 1899.  
 Hannah Loretta, b. Apr. 18, 1904.

Mary Jane, b. Apr. 17, 1871, York, Wis.; m. Nov. 25, 1892, Fenton, Ia., William Fred Dehnert, b. Nov. 24, 1868, Prussia, Germany; farmer, Rep., M. W. of A., I. O. O. F.; she Bapt., Royal Neighbors of A.; res. Stanton, Mich. *Children:*

Carroll Alfred, b. Mar. 3, 1894.  
 Homer Roselle, b. May 24, 1897.  
 Verne Opal, b. Nov. 13, 1899.  
 Belva Christina, b. Dec. 8, 1901.  
 Erma Rachel, b. Mar. 14, 1904.

John William, b. Nov. 26, 1873, Ia.; m. Apr. 16, 1896, Fenton, Ia., Christina Marie Christenson, b. Mar. 3, 1877, Fenton, Ia., dau. of Jens Christian Christenson and Stene Bendictia Nelson; farmer, Rep., Meth., M. W. of A.; she Lutheran; res. Lonerock, Ia. *Children:*  
 Agnes May, b. Feb. 24, 1897.

- Everett Alonzo, b. Aug. 25, 1898.  
 Viva Inova, b. Jan. 3, 1900.  
 Forest Cecil, b. Mar. 27, 1901.  
 John Melvin, b. July 17, 1902.  
 Vernon Burtis, b. Dec. 8, 1903.  
 Orvis Julius, b. Jan. 8, 1875; m. Nov. 6, 1901, Bettie  
 Caroline Peterson, b. Aug. 20, 1874, Ill., dau. of  
 Andrew Peter Peterson and Sophia Louisa Johnson;  
 farmer, Meth.; res. Fenton, Ia. *Child:*  
 Orlo Melzar, b. Aug. 3, 1904.  
 Huldah Evah, b. Sept. 4, 1876, Ia.; m. Oct. 18, 1893,  
 Fenton, Ia., Vernon Benjamin Tubbs, b. Oct. 20, 1871,  
 Rome, Wis.; farmer, Rep.; res. Marshall, Minn.  
*Children:*  
 Joseph William, b. Sept. 9, 1894.  
 Walter Clarence, b. May 16, 1899.  
 Joseph Philo, b. Oct. 14, 1878; m. Aug. 28, 1901. Burt,  
 Ia., Lydia Amanda Koepka, b. Apr. 5, 1876, Union,  
 Ia., dau. of John Koepka; Rep., Meth.; res. Anoka,  
 Minn. *Child:*  
 Cora Josephine, b. Aug. 9, 1903.  
 Josephine Evangeline, b. Oct. 12, 1880; m. June 28, 1899,  
 John L. Klingelhofer, b. Dec. 9, 1871, Kossuth Co.,  
 Ia.; merchant, meth., M. W. of A.; she R. N. A.; res.  
 Turlock, Cal. *Children:*  
 Virgil Elvira, b. Mar. 8, 1902.  
 Ivan Vincent, b. Oct. 15, 1903.  
 Daniel Edward, b. Jan. 7, 1882; unm.  
 Walter Howard, b. Jan. 25, 1884; d. June 21, 1884.

390 Julius Sheldon<sup>r</sup> Ranney (brother to Francis Leroy), b.  
 Oct. 2, 1848, York, Wis.; d. Jan. 7, 1873, Kossuth Co., Ia.; m.  
 Aug. 24, 1871, Marshall, Wis., Louisa Weber, b. Apr. 2, 1848,  
 Jefferson Co., Wis., dau. of Geo. Frederick Weber and Rosina  
 Lehner; farmer; the widow m. Geo. Harrison; res. Maynard,  
 Iowa.

*Child:*

- George Julius, b. July 19, 1872; m. Feb. 15, 1893, Fayette,  
 Ia., Laura Elgin Paine, b. Mar. 5, 1871, Fayette,  
 Ia., dau. of Wm. Harvey Paine and Laura Melvina  
 Clark; travels for International Harvester Co. of A.,  
 F. & A. M., Rep., Presb.; res. Langford, So. Dakota.  
*Children:*  
 Dora Elgin, b. July 22, 1894.

Dor Oren, b. Jan. 27, 1896; d. Aug. 5, 1896.  
 Philo Harvey, b. Sept. 30, 1898; d. Apr. 17, 1899.

391 Orcelia Sophronia<sup>r</sup> Ranney (sister to Francis Leroy), b. Jan. 30, 1851, York, Wis.; d. Mar. 15, 1896, Albert Lea, Minn.; m. Apr. 15, 1869, York, Myron W. Sawyer, b. Apr. 9, 1840, Wendell, Mass.; merchant, Rep., Bapt., M. W. of A.; res. Albert Lea, Minn.

*Children:*

Albert Lea, b. May 17, 1870; m. Hattie M. Balch; no children; res. West Salem, Wis.  
 Eva May, b. May 7, 1873; d. Dec. 3, 1886.

392 Mary Eliza<sup>r</sup> Ranney (sister to Francis Leroy), b. Apr. 26, 1853; m. Nov. 30, 1870, Silas Wilcox, b. Sept. 6, 1844, New York; d. Feb. 6, 1901, Ruthven, Ia.; farmer, Rep., private Co. K, 44th Reg., Wis. Vols., Dec., 1864—Sept., 1865; the widow res. Britt, Iowa.

*Children:*

Henry Julius, b. Sept. 12, 1871.  
 Philo Edward, b. Nov. 19, 1873; m. June 4, 1902, Britt, Ia., Edna Vial, b. Mar. 24, 1881, Linden, Ia., dau. of Abraham Vial and Agnes Ann Tawblyn; res. Britt, Ia.  
 Maud Estelle, b. July 6, 1877; m. Oct. 16, 1902, Ruthven, Ia., Wilmer Goff, b. May 28, 1877, Ruthven; farmer, Rep.; res. Ruthven, Iowa. *Child:*  
 Verle Wilcox, b. Mar. 28, 1904.  
 Earl, b. Sept. 19, 1882.

393 Oscar Jay<sup>r</sup> Ranney (brother to Francis Leroy), b. June 26, 1863, York Wis.; m. July 15, 1885, York, Ada Elizabeth Forester, b. Feb. 27, 1864, York, dau. of Andrew Forester and Ada Elizabeth Miller; farmer, Rep., Meth., E. F. W.; res. Marshall, Wis.

*Children:*

Lula Ada, b. Dec. 20, 1887.  
 Ella Melissa, b. Aug. 23, 1888.  
 Donald Forester, b. Aug. 28, 1892.  
 Carol Cecilia, b. July 28, 1900.

394 Seymour Philo<sup>r</sup> Ranney (brother to Francis Leroy), b. July 19, 1866, York, Wis.; m. Nov. 1, 1893, Waterloo, Wis., Millie Louisa Brusso, b. Feb. 16, 1871, Sun Prairie, Wis.; confectioneer, Rep., Meth.; res. Marshall, Wis.

*Children:*

Leon, b. Mar. 13, 1895.  
 Vera, b. Sept. 8, 1898.  
 Kenneth, b. May 23, 1900.

395 Lovisa Jane<sup>7</sup> Ranney (Harmon<sup>6</sup>, Eli<sup>5</sup>, Abner<sup>4</sup>, Richard<sup>3</sup>, John<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>), b. May 27, 1854, Brooklyn, Wis.; m. Jan. 11, 1871, Helena, Mont., Daniel Sullivan, b. Dec. 25, 1847, Boston, Mass., son of Michael and Honora Sullivan. Mr. Sullivan removed from the Missouri Valley, in 1883, to Shelby, Mont.; stock grower, Catholic, F. & A. M., K. of P.; res. Shelby, Mont.

*Children:*

Flurry Aloysius, b. Nov. 3, 1872; m. Marguerite Connelly.  
 Michael Francis, b. Apr. 14, 1874; d. Sept., 1874.  
 Frederick Daniel, b. Jan. 12, 1876; m. Theresa Hilger.  
 Hanora, b. May 15, 1878; m. (1) Anthon Anderson; m. (2) Richard Crouch.  
 John William, b. Oct. 19, 1880; res. Spokane, Wash.  
 Mary Lucile, b. Apr. 28, 1884; m. Charles Sims.  
 Michael Francis, b. July 14, 1887; res. Wolf Point, Mont.  
 Edward Aloysius, b. Jan. 10, 1890.  
 Frances Ida, b. June 30, 1892.  
 Marguerite Loretto, b. Sept. 9, 1894.  
 Bertha Lovisa, b. July 4, 1900.

396 Sarah Janette<sup>7</sup> Ranney (sister to Lovisa Jane), b. 1856; m. 1872, William Robbins, who d. in a blizzard; she d. 1895.

*Children:*

William Frederick, b. Jan. 20, 1873, Canton, Mont.; m. Dec. 30, 1896, Helena, Mont., Catherine McLaughlin, b. Apr. 18, 1877, Stuart, Ia., dau. of John McLaughlin and Irene Lillian Squires; farmer, I. O. O. F., Dem., Miners' Union; res. Winston, Mont. *Children:*  
 Edward Franklin, b. Oct. 30, 1897; d. Nov. 6, 1901.  
 Irene Lillian, b. July 21, 1899; d. Oct. 18, 1901.  
 Daniel J., b. May 1, 1901.  
 David Leroy, b. Feb. 23, 1903.  
 Helen Cloy, b. Dec. 20, 1904.  
 Lucy Lillian, b. —————; m. ————— Hamilton; res. Lewiston, Mont.  
 Leroy, b. —————; unm.; res. Winston, Mont.

397 Flora Ann<sup>7</sup> Ranney (sister to Lovisa Jane), b. Feb. 17, 1860, Evansville, Wis.; m. Dec. 12, 1875, Gallatin Valley, Mont., Leroy Thomas Tillery, b. June 3, 1841, Liberty, Mo.; stock raiser and farmer; she d. Aug. 22, 1905, Shelby, Mont. He res. Shelby, Mont.

*Children:*

Annie, b. Sept. 24, 1876; m. Wm. J. Moore; res. Bozeman, Mont. *Child:*

Flora, b. Apr. 6, 1903.

Albert, b. Dec. 20, 1877; unm.

Flora, b. Apr. 9, 1879; m. A. W. Rardon. Res. Townsend, Mont. *Children:*

Ora, b. Oct. 17, 1900; d. Dec. 22, 1900.

Leonora, b. Oct. 4, 1904.

Wm. Wesley, b. June 26, 1880; d. Mar. 22, 1900.

Laura Bell, b. Oct. 26, 1882; d. Feb. 7, 1883.

Babe, b. Feb. 14, 1884; d. Mar. 25, 1884.

Bertha Mabel, b. Sept. 19, 1888.

Hattie Alice, b. Aug. 14, 1890.

Edward Ralph, b. Feb. 24, 1892.

Herman Elmer, b. Oct. 26, 1893.

398 George Frederick<sup>7</sup> Ranney (brother to Lovisa Jane), b. May 12, 1871, Montana; m. Oct. 23, 1901, Anaconda, Mont., Ellen Elizabeth Perkins, b. Dec. 27, 1878, Waterloo, Mont., dau. of James Perkins and Hannah Vickers; farmer and stock raiser, Meth.; res. Race Track, Powell Co., Mont.

*Child:*

Dorothy Louise, b. May 17, 1905.

399 Rosetta Ida<sup>7</sup> Ranney (sister to Lovisa Jane), b. May 6, 1874, Canton, Mont.; m. Mar. 2, 1895, Great Falls, Mont., John William Carroll, b. Mar. 17, 1864, Hudson, Wis.; stock raiser, Dem., Presb.; res. Fort Steele, British Columbia.

*Children:*

John William, b. Dec. 4, 1895.

Bernice Loretta, b. Sept., 1901.

400 Luke<sup>7</sup> Ranney (Julius Cæsar<sup>6</sup>, Eli<sup>5</sup>, Abner<sup>4</sup>, Richard<sup>3</sup>, John<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>), b. July 30, 1850, Dayton, N. Y.; m. Mar. 2, 1886, Iowa, Ida Luzina Adams, b. May 27, 1867, Black Hawk Co., Ia.; res. Cavour, So. Dakota.

*Children:*

Alfred Herrick, b. Jan. 21, 1887.  
 Jessie Myra, b. Apr. 14, 1889.  
 Ella Rachel, b. May 9, 1894.  
 Wm. Foster, b. Mar. 19, 1896.  
 Madge Margaret, b. Mar. 8, 1900.  
 Frankie Helena, b. June 15, 1902.

401 Nathan Arms<sup>7</sup> Ranney (brother to Luke), b. Aug. 27, 1853, Dayton, N. Y.; m. Oct. 17, 1886, New Auburn, Minn., Ella Jane Vaughan, b. Oct. 16, 1863, New Auburn, dau. of Freeman Vaughan and Marion Cordelia McDougall; fruit farmer and owner of the New Auburn *Herald*; res. New Auburn, Minn.

*Children:*

Blanche Lenore, b. Aug. 30, 1887.  
 Cecil Justin, b. May 12, 1889; youngest editor in the State.  
 Russell Ray, b. Feb. 23, 1892.  
 Lola Vaughan, b. Dec. 4, 1894.  
 Agnes Geraldine, b. June 6, 1897.  
 Wilfred Iven, b. Nov. 29, 1899; d. May 25, 1902.  
 Noel De Lorne, b. Sept. 22, 1903.

402 Alfred Herrick<sup>7</sup> Ranney (brother to Luke), b. Oct. 3, 1858, Dayton, N. Y.; m. Feb. 14, 1886, Fairbanks, Ia., Clara Jane Hock, b. Oct. 3, 1862, Bushnell, Ill., dau. of Isaac Hock and Eliza Livingston; telephone engineer, Rep., I. O. O. F., M. W. A.; res. Mason City, Ia.

*Child:*

Glenn Alfred, b. Oct. 3, 1887.

403 Hermon<sup>7</sup> Ranney (brother to Luke), b. July 8, 1863, Dayton, N. Y.; m. Dec. 24, 1885, Oelwin, Ia., Cora Adell Payne, b. June 19, 1866, Maynard, Ia., dau. of Seldon Payne and Pauline Orinda Dunbar; F. & A. M., Rep.; res. Maynard, Ia.

*Children:*

Ethel May, b. Oct. 1, 1886.  
 Goldie Ruth, b. Apr. 9, 1880.  
 Lyle Vance, b. Dec. 25, 1892; d. Feb. 23, 1893.  
 Raymond Robert, b. Apr. 25, 1894.  
 Laura, b. Sept. 10, 1896.  
 Inez Pauline, b. May 30, 1898.  
 Mildred Mary, b. Oct. 25, 1901.



404 Saloma Evaline<sup>7</sup> Ranney (sister to Luke), b. Nov. 22, 1867, Pit Hole, Pa.; m. Oct. 11, 1895, Fairbank, Ia., Laurel J. Barnes, b. July 17, 1865, Maynard, Ia.; farmer; res. Heckla, So. Dakota.

*Children:*

Burr Townsend, b. Aug. 16, 1888.  
 Vail, b. Feb. 2, 1890.  
 Floyd, b. Feb. 19, 1892.  
 Hester Marie, b. May 30, 1900.  
 Alfred Ranney, b. Jan. 29, 1902.

405 Justin Warren<sup>7</sup> Ranney (brother to Luke), b. Dec. 8, 1870, Fairbanks, Ia.; m. Charlotte Angeline Packard, b. Jan. 22, 1874, Edgewood, Ia., dau. of Edmund Packard and Calista Carpenter; Com. Trav., Dem., M. W. A.; res. Maynard, Ia.

*Children:*

Grace Mildred, b. May 15, 1896.  
 Dale Charles, b. July 3, 1897; d. Sept. 15, 1902.  
 Ruth Evaline, b. Dec. 8, 1899.  
 Fern Frances, b. June 25, 1902.

406 Alice Serizah<sup>7</sup> Brand (Lovisa Ranney<sup>6</sup>, Eli<sup>5</sup>, Abner<sup>4</sup>, Richard<sup>3</sup>, John<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>), b. Nov. 20, 1852, Gowanda, N. Y.; m. Dec. 26, 1869, Indianola, Ia., Henry D. Brown, b. Apr. 10, 1847, White Water, Ind.; farmer, Christian Ch., I. O. O. F., Rep.; res. Cumberland, Ia.

*Children:*

Edward Munroe, b. Oct. 18, 1870; m. Mar. 16, 1897, Alice Elizabeth Mountain, b. June 9, 1872; res. Atlantic, Ia. *Children:*  
 Maude, b. Dec. 2, 1898.  
 Howard Delos, b. Oct. 14, 1900.  
 Effie Elsie, b. May 20, 1873; m. Mar. 15, 1899, Mark Pliny Nichols; res. Atlantic, Ia. *Child:*  
 Benjamin, b. Nov. 26, 1904.  
 George Andrew, b. Apr. 4, 1883; m. June 5, 1907, Pearl Edwards, b. Jan. 12, 1884; res. Cumberland, Ia.

407 Sarah Evaline<sup>7</sup> Brand (sister to Alice S.), b. Jan. 28, 1857, Warren Co., Ia.; m. Dec. 25, 1879, Warren Co., Ia., Joseph Merritt Lehman, b. Mar. 30, 1852, Miami Co., Ia.; farmer, I. O. O. F., Rep.; res. Cumberland, Ia.

*Children:*

- Warren Arthur, b. Oct. 13, 1880.  
 Malinda Lovisa, b. Apr. 16, 1882.  
 Minnie Estella, b. Mar. 10, 1884; m. Mar. 2, 1904, Frank  
 Garfield Jarvis; res. Cumberland, Ia. *Child:*  
 Zetta Esther, b. Mar. 9, 1905.  
 Alvah Walter, b. Mar. 20, 1886.  
 Ralph Rodna, b. Nov. 28, 1890.  
 Ora Pautha, b. Sept. 20, 1895.

408 George Clinton<sup>r</sup> Brand (brother to Alice S.), b. Feb. 24, 1861, Warren Co., Ia.; m. Jan. 15, 1885, Spring Hill, Ia., Catherine Mary Peverly, b. Jan. 15, 1864, Warren Co., Ia., dau. of Francis Brotherton Peverly and Hannah Isabel Dalton.; farmer, Rep., Bapt., M. W. A.; res. Indianola, Ia.

*Children:*

- Edna Isabel, b. June 9, 1886.  
 Francis Clinton, b. Feb. 27, 1888.  
 Arthur Peverly, b. Oct. 15, 1891.  
 Ruth Anna, b. Apr. 3, 1894.  
 Mary Josephine, b. Nov. 24, 1896.

409 Minnie Louisa<sup>r</sup> Brand (sister to Alice S.), b. May 28, 1865, Spring Hill, Ia.; m. Nov. 13, 1886, Spring Hill, Ia., William Peverly, b. Dec. 18, 1859; clothier, Bapt., K. of P., I. O. O. F., M. W. A.; res. Axtell, Kan.

*Children:*

- Edward Brotherton, b. Dec. 31, 1887.  
 Howard Dewitt, b. Aug. 19, 1889.  
 Joanna Frances, b. Mar. 13, 1891.  
 Julia Marie, b. Apr. 2, 1893.  
 William Brand, b. Feb. 21, 1895, twin.  
 Wilma Alice, b. Feb. 21, 1895, twin; d. July 24, 1895.  
 Esther Estella, b. Feb. 11, 1897.  
 Homer Clinton, b. June 28, 1898.  
 Lowell Eugene, b. Oct. 28, 1900.  
 Helen Velma, b. Feb. 14, 1904; d. Feb. 2, 1905.

410 Mary Jane<sup>r</sup> Brand (sister to Alice S.), b. Apr. 9, 1869, Warren Co., Ia.; m. Oct. 12, 1884, William Comer, b. Mar. 6, 1865, Jennings Co., Ind.; farmer, Rep., Am. Soc. Equity; res. Massena, Ia.

*Children:*

Alfred Ross, b. Apr. 7, 1889.  
 Glen Lovell, b. Mar. 8, 1893; d. July 4, 1895.  
 Nellie Brand, b. June 4, 1895; d. July 14, 1897.  
 Harold Dewitt, b. Mar. 18, 1900; d. Sept. 2, 1902.  
 Carl Emory, b. Nov. 18, 1903.

411 Carrie Elizabeth<sup>7</sup> Brand (sister to Alice S.), b. Mar. 19, 1871; m. Feb. 23, 1890, Clifton Hall; res. Indianola, Ia.

*Children:*

Otis Leslie, b. May 29, 1893.  
 Hazel Esther, b. Jan. 6, 1895.  
 Milton DeWitt, b. Mar. 7, 1904.  
 Lloyd Stephen Ranney, b. May 24, 1906.

412 Charles Clinton<sup>7</sup> Ranney (Frank Eli<sup>6</sup>, Eli<sup>5</sup>, Abner<sup>4</sup>, Richard<sup>3</sup>, John<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>), b. May 3, 1860, Iowa; m. Mar. 3, 1883, Perrysburg, N. Y., Florence Madellon Wells, b. Mar. 4, 1860, Perrysburg, N. Y., dau. of Frank Wells and Jane Ball; dist. mgr. People's Life Ins. Co., of Syracuse, N. Y.; Rep., Meth., A. O. U. W.; res. Fredonia, N. Y.

*Children:*

Herbert DeLong, b. Mar. 16, 1884.  
 Harold Wells, b. Nov. 28, 1891.

413 Frank Millard<sup>7</sup> Ranney (brother to Charles Clinton), b. Sept. 12, 1861, Iowa; m. Feb. 14, 1883, Perrysburg, N. Y., Charlotte Sophia Rugg, b. Nov. 5, 1857, Chautauqua, N. Y., dau. of Major Rugg and Catherine Smith; res. Perrysburg, N. Y.

*Children:*

Blanch Edith, b. May 15, 1884; m. John Willis Hall; res. Perrysburg, N. Y.  
 Ida Sophia, b. June 11, 1886; m. Lee Frank Dickinson; res. Perrysburg, N. Y.  
 Millard DeWitt, b. Oct. 22, 1888.  
 Addie Lena, b. June 4, 1891.

414 Mary Ward<sup>7</sup> Ranney (Moses<sup>6</sup>, Joseph<sup>5</sup>, Fletcher<sup>4</sup>, Joseph<sup>3</sup>, Joseph<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>), b. 1807, Middletown, Conn.; rem. 1830, with her mother to Cincinnati, O.; m. Oct., 1843, at the residence of her brother, Moses, Thomas Hough, b. Jan. 18, 1807, Jefferson

Co., O. They rem. 1849, to Spartansburg, Ind., where she d. July 1, 1873. He d. June 30, 1896.

*Children:*

Daughter, b. 1844; d. June 14, 1845.

John, b. Sept. 18, 1847; m. Sept. 19, 1872, Mary B. Manning, b. Jan. 21, 1855; res. Spartansburg, Ind. *Children:*

Clarence Russell, b. Mar. 7, 1878.

Elizabeth Frances, b. Jan. 23, 1880.

Chester Arthur, b. Aug. 3, 1884.

Thomas William, b. May 28, 1886.

Ethel Jane, b. Nov. 26, 1887.

415 Henry Joseph<sup>r</sup> Ranney (brother to Mary), b. 1808, Middletown, Conn., was but four years of age when his father died. His mother was evidently a superior woman as this son in 1824 entered the Partridge Military Academy, where he grad. 1828 as Civil Engineer. Became Asst. Eng. on B. & A. R. R.; Chief Eng. of N. O. & N. R. R. until 1842; leased from the State of Louisiana the N. O. Canal that connects New Orleans with Lake Pontchartrain and the Gulf of Mexico, which he conducted until his death. He was also Chief Eng. of the N. O., Jackson & Great Northern R. R., now the Illinois Central. He died May 1, 1865, at Lewisburg, La. The State sequestered his large property, he being unmarried and having no near relatives in that State. From a memorandum affixed to a newspaper clipping announcing his death the following is copied:

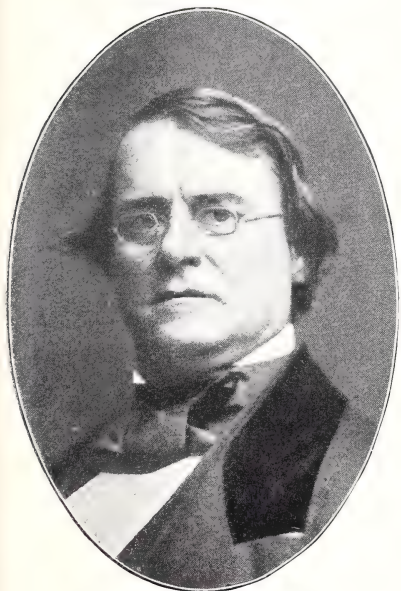
“This is the first I have heard from him since the commencement of the war. I have made all the enquiry I could through friends at New Orleans but could never learn what had become of him. He was a member of the Louisiana Legislature when that State seceded and when he wrote to me from Baton Rouge he said he was doing all he could to prevent the State from seceding, for which he was denounced, and said, ‘before another year you and I will live in different governments, the masses of the people are opposed to secession but the reins of government are in the hands of men who will carry the State out of the Union in spite of all opposition.’ I suppose the force of circumstances has carried him along with secession and ruin has been the result. From ease and comfort for the past twenty-five or thirty years in the City of New Orleans in consequence of this mad Rebellion he now lies in an obscure grave in an obscure town in the interior of Louisiana, the last of his family. . . . Major Ranney will be condemned



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MOSES RANNEY  
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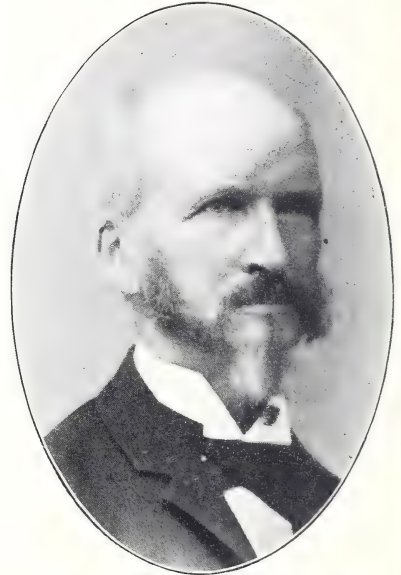
MRS. REBECCA (RANNEY) WHITE  
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DAVID STOCKING RANNEY  
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REV. EDWIN HIRAM RANNEY  
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for the course he has taken in this Rebellion, I too condemn those that have lifted their hands against their country. But he was my best friend in the hour of need. For this I will ever remember him with gratitude. He was kind to me in the darkest hour of my life."

And this from another source:

"Major Ranney never married. He was President and large stockholder of the New Canal and Shell Road Co., at New Orleans. Also a large stockholder in the New Orleans, Jackson and Great Northern R. R. Co., and during the Civil War was president with office at Canton, Miss., the terminus of the road at that time. He was not known to be affiliated with any church. After Lee's surrender he sought to enter New Orleans, but learning at Ponchartroula that he would meet with a hostile reception by Federal authorities in New Orleans, concluded to cross the country some fifty miles east to Lewisburg on Lake Pontchartrain. He was in feeble health and before peace was fully established in New Orleans he died and was buried in the Woods Cemetery north of the town. The grave is situated in the midst of live oaks and large magnolia trees."

A lengthy editorial notice in the New Orleans *Daily Picayune*, of May 9, 1865, concluded as follows:

"He was a firm, consistent, but liberal and courteous politician, a member of the old conservative Whig party, in which he wielded much influence. At the breaking out of the war from which we are just emerging he was not considered a secessionist, but his interests were so involved with many who were, as to make a removal from the city expedient. For some time after, he continued to conduct the running of the railroad, in connection with others. Since the occurrence of the recent events, foreshadowing the early termination of the war, we have understood it was his intention to return to his old home, where he would have been most warmly welcomed back by his many friends.

"Major Ranney must have nearly, if not fully, attained the age of three-score. He was universally esteemed for his amiable and genial traits of character. He was benevolent, charitable, and liberal to a proverb. His board was the centre of a fine hospitality, and a genial smile and a kindly word were ever ready to invite thereto his always welcome friends. His benefactions to the poor, and especially to his servants, large numbers of whom he employed, were bestowed in a manner to make them seem the acts of a friend rather than of a mere almoner. Many of our citizens will remember his open house at New Year's, and the scene of the annual visit of his dependents to their kind and in-

dulgent master. Though a man of notably cheerful and mirthful character, yet he had ever

“ . . . a tear for pity, and a hand  
Open as the day for melting charity.”

416 Moses<sup>7</sup> Ranney (brother to Mary Ward), b. 1810, Middletown, Conn.; rem. to Cincinnati, O., with his mother about 1830; m. Mar. 9, 1837, Cincinnati, O., Catherine Maria Luckey, b. Dec. 25, 1818, Maysville, Ky., dau. of George Luckey and Eliza Skelton. He was a prominent merchant in the early days of that city and one of the founders of the Mercantile Library of which he was president for the first two terms; also one of the founders of the City Chamber of Commerce. Mrs. Ranney's father was a noted wholesale dry goods merchant, director in the Franklin Bank, and in the Trust Co., all of Cincinnati. The widow was mem. Epis. ch. and died Oct. 25, 1906, Cincinnati. Mr. Ranney died while on a visit to his brother in New Orleans, Aug. 20, 1852, and was buried there.

*Children:*

- Sarah Keith, b. Apr. 7, 1838; d. Apr. 9, 1838.  
 Mary Eliza, b. June 14, 1839; d. Mar. 14, 1851.  
 Catherine Maria, b. Apr. 24, 1841; d. Dec. 4, 1842.  
 Clara, b. July 14, 1843; d. Apr. 26, 1845.  
 620a Kate, b. Nov. 9, 1845; m. John A. Cochran.  
 Alice, b. Nov. 25, 1848; d. Dec. 27, 1848.

417 Asa Sage<sup>7</sup> Ranney (Calvin<sup>6</sup>, Joseph<sup>5</sup>, Fletcher<sup>4</sup>, Joseph<sup>3</sup>, Joseph<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>), bapt. Oct. 3, 1817, went to New Orleans; m. 1845, Howesville, Ky., Virginia Elizabeth Catlin, b. Aug. 16, 1827, Richmond, Va.; d. Nov. 14, 1876, New Orleans, dau. of Dr. Catlin and Catherine Mary Tibbles, who had rem. to Kentucky. Mr. Ranney became a clerk for his cousin, Major Henry Joseph Ranney. When his health failed he went to Florida and then to the country home of his wife's mother, at McCourt City, Miss., where he died in a few months. He was buried at "Forest Home," the Downer homestead. He erected a headstone in the old (Cromwell) 1713 cemetery to the memory of Sarah (Eells) Sage, wife of Asa Sage, after whom he was named.

*Children:*

- 621 Clara Frances, b. Aug. 24, 1846.  
 Harry Joseph, b. Feb. 14, 1851; d. July 4, 1863.  
 Harry Joseph Ranney, the son of Asa Sage Ranney and Vir-



ginia Elizabeth Catlin, was born in New Orleans, Feb. 14, 1851. Lived most of his short life at "Forest Home" with his grandmother, Mrs. Downer. Was a brave, lovable boy. Attended school in Madison Co., Miss.

During a raid of Federal soldiers on Jackson from Vicksburg, the planters of that locality loaded wagons with corn and meal, and with mules and slaves sought refuge in the interior counties. Harry was boarding with a Dr. Davis, and started on one of these wagons, as company for the Doctor's son, a few years older. At Madisonville, Miss., the wagons were halted to await the result of the attack on Jackson before going further. On July 4th they received tidings that the Federals had been repulsed. In boyish enthusiasm over the good news and to celebrate the 4th, Harry wished to fire a salute. He climbed upon the hind wheel of the wagon and grasping a gun by the muzzle attempted to draw it out from the corn, which was loaded upon it. The hammer caught, exploding the charge of buck-shot. Harry was struck in the groin severing the femoral artery. He was buried in the cemetery attached to Pearl River Methodist Church, near Pearl River Academy. His grave is marked with a marble slab.

418 Polinda Eliza<sup>7</sup> Ranney (Norman<sup>6</sup>, Joseph<sup>5</sup>, Fletcher<sup>4</sup>, Joseph<sup>3</sup>, Joseph<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>), b. Aug. 21, 1821, Upper Houses; m. June 18, 1837, Samuel Wilson Lee Clark, b. July 22, 1819, Durham, Conn., son of Hezekiah Clark, b. Oct. 18, 1786, and Olive Lee, b. Aug. 23, 1867. S. W. L. Clark rem. to Upper Houses to the Abraham Ranney house and then to the Fletcher Ranney house, rem. to Southington, Conn., where he d. Nov. 21, 1880. She d. Feb. 17, 1904.

*Children:*

- 622 Samuel Wilson, b. Mar. 20, 1838.  
 623 Wm. Henry, b. Dec. 4, 1840.  
     Lucy Ann, b. Apr. 13, 1843; d. unm.  
     Walter Frederick, b. Aug. 17, 1845, enl. in Co. D, 7th Reg. Conn. Vols., and d. in Hampton Hospital.  
     Frances Eleanora, b. Feb. 14, 1848; d. unm.  
     Mary Jane, b. July 3, 1850; d. \_\_\_\_\_.  
     Norman Ranney, b. Oct. 25, 1852; d. \_\_\_\_\_.  
     Susan Janette, b. July 12, 1855; d. \_\_\_\_\_.  
 624 Olive Lee, b. Nov. 2, 1857; m. Charles Ward.  
     Hannah Post, b. Feb. 6, 1860; d. \_\_\_\_\_.  
     Robert Edward, b. May 5, 1862; d. \_\_\_\_\_; m. \_\_\_\_\_.  
     Lucretia Elizabeth, b. Sept. 21, 1864; d. \_\_\_\_\_.  
     Henry Lafayette, b. Jan. 9, 1867; d. \_\_\_\_\_.

419 Rev. Edwin Hiram<sup>7</sup> Ranney (Horace<sup>6</sup>, William<sup>5</sup>, Fletcher<sup>4</sup>, Joseph<sup>3</sup>, Joseph<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>), b. Sept. 11, 1820, Upper Houses; m. Vicksburg, Miss., Sept. 14, 1848, Mary Stout, b. Feb. 20, 1826, Phila., Pa., dau. of Silas W. and Harriet Stout. He learned the tailoring art, but became a Baptist clergyman, licensed by the Cromwell Baptist ch. Voted for Henry Clay in 1844. Private, Co. A, 28th Penn. Vols.; enl. June 16, 1863, served in the Gettysburg campaign, disc. July 27, 1864. She died Dec. 10, 1886. De Land, Fla. At the reunion and celebration of the Society of Middletown Upper Houses, July 19, 1905, he related his reminiscences of his boyhood days which are given in this volume. He res. at the Nugent Home for Baptists in Philadelphia.

*Child:*

Lizzie Shuck, b. June 7, 1857; d. June 12, 1860.

420 Henry W.<sup>7</sup> Ranney (brother of Rev. Henry Edwin), b. Oct. 15, 1822, Upper Houses; m. Apr. 19, 1846, Mary McIntosh, b. Oct. 3, 1828, E. Haddam, Conn., dau. of Samuel McIntosh and Sarah Green. He d. Apr. 16, 1862, Cromwell. Widow res. Riverside, R. I.

*Children:*

Gertrude A., b. Apr. 28, 1848; d. unm. Nov. 16, 1870.

Leila W., b. Apr. 5, 1850; m. Nov. 15, 1870, J. B. Boardman; res. Riverside, R. I. *Children:*

Harrie Hilton, b. Sept. 8, 1871.

Gertrude Whitmarsh, b. Mar. 3, 1882.

George W., b. Aug. 28, 1852; d. July 29, 1854.

Harrie Walton, b. June 4, 1857; m. Nov. 12, 1884, Fannie

Estella Briggs; res. E. Providence, R. I. *Children:*

Beatrice Estelle, b. Mar. 26, 1886.

Walton Earle, b. Jan. 9, 1893.

Grace Madaline, b. Nov. 28, 1896.

421 Martha<sup>7</sup> Ranney (William<sup>6</sup>, William<sup>5</sup>, Fletcher<sup>4</sup>, Joseph<sup>3</sup>, Joseph<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>), b. June 1, 1817, Upper Houses; m. Apr. 7, 1837, Samuel J. Baisden, b. Aug. 26, 1811, son of James Baisden and Phebe Paddock, who d. Nov. 8, 1871. He was a carpenter, Democrat, mem. Leg., Justice of Peace, Assessor. She d. June, 1907.

*Children:*

625 Sarah E., b. Apr. 26, 1840; m. Russell Nichols.

626 Charles William, b. May 2, 1845.

627 Mary E., b. July 6, 1847.



THE WILLIAM RANNEY FAMILY MONUMENT  
Erected by Zenas Edwards Ranney



ZENAS EDWARDS RANNEY  
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MRS. MARTHA (RANNEY) BAISDEN  
(See page 392)

Frank S., b. May 15, 1853; m. Grace E. Riggs. Mason, constable; res. Cromwell, Conn.

422 Timothy<sup>7</sup> Ranney (brother to Martha), b. Jan. 21, 1821, Upper Houses; m. July 4, 1841, Upper Houses, Maria Mildrum, dau. of John Mildrum and Betsy Smith; merchant, farmer, Sheriff, prominent Democrat; d. Jan. 14, 1891, Cromwell. Widow res. in Cromwell.

*Children:*

628 Mary Estella, b. July 14, 1845; m. Timothy Dexter Simpson.

629 Julia Augusta, b. Nov. 3, 1847; m. (1) Isaac Warner; (2) George S. Wilcox.

629a Kate Maria, b. Sept. 24, 1851; m. Jason J. Wilcox. Charles, b. Dec. 8, 1860; d. Feb. 20, 1863.

423 Benjamin<sup>7</sup> Ranney (brother to Martha), b. June 3, 1825, Upper Houses; m. Susan Platts. Stone-cutter; rem. to Portland, Conn., where he d. May 5, 1875.

*Child:*

Wilbur Francis, b. —————; m. Mary Adelaide Worthington, dau. of Joseph Sage Worthington and Effie Amelia Boies. *Child:*

Paul Worthington, b. July 20, 1898.

424 Zenas Edwards<sup>7</sup> Ranney (brother to Martha), b. Jan. 28, 1829, Upper Houses. After leaving school learned the jewelers trade, but never followed the business, took a sea voyage on a sail vessel in the summer of 1848 for his health, which had become impaired by close confinement while learning his trade, was in Santa Cruz, D. W. I., during the Negro insurrection of that year, was in New Orleans, La., in the fall of 1849 at the close of the terrible cholera epidemic of that year, and early in Feb., 1850, went from New Orleans up Red River to Texas, and was counted in the first census of the State taken by the U. S. during the summer of 1850; knew Genl. Sam Houston, and many prominent men of the State in the early fifties; lived in Dallas when it was a small frontier village with a population of less than five hundred, and only one brick building in the town; was engaged as clerk, bookkeeper and merchant up to 1873, visited California in that year, and again in 1886; in 1887 went to Europe, was in London during the Queen's Jubilee held that year, also spent one month in Paris, and returned to Texas in the fall of 1887. Since 1873 he has been interested in banking in Texas, also in the manufacture of flour,

cotton seed oil, seamless bags and artificial ice; was a large stockholder in the first cotton mill ever built in Sherman, Texas, in 1891, and furnished the cornerstone for same from the N. E. Brownstone Co.'s quarry of Cromwell, Conn., in which he was also interested. While not now, 1907, engaged in any active business, he still retains his interest in the Merchants and Planters National Bank of Sherman, Texas, and in the Sherman Ice Co.'s Plant, which has a capacity for making 100 tons of ice every twenty-four hours. He now divides his time between Conn. and Texas, spending a portion of it in each State. When in Conn. he makes his home near Highland Station, on the Middletown and Waterbury Rail Road, about seven miles from where he was born; he is now in his seventy-ninth year, and has never married.

425 William Keith<sup>7</sup> Ranney (George<sup>6</sup>, William<sup>5</sup>, Fletcher<sup>4</sup>, Joseph<sup>3</sup>, Joseph<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>), b. Nov. 1, 1822, Upper Houses; m. (1) Mar. 8, 1858, Wethersfield, Conn., Jane Holmes, b. 1835, Wethersfield; d. July 9, 1885; m. (2) Nov. 17, 1886, Cromwell, Mary Philomena Burns, b. Feb. 27, 1861, Cromwell, dau. of Michael Burns and Mary F. Murphy. Stone mason, F. & A. M.; d. July 19, 1900. Widow res. Cromwell.

*Children by 1st marriage:*

Charles Keith, b. July 15, 1867; m. Mary Butterworth; no children; res. Hartford, Conn.

426 Almira Maria<sup>7</sup> Ranney (sister to William Keith), b. Nov. 1, 1824, Berlin, Conn.; m. Oct. 15, 1864, Hartford, Conn., Joseph McIntosh, b. Apr. 24, 1824, Hadlyme, Conn., son of Samuel McIntosh and Sarah Green. He d. May 5, 1898, East Haddam, Conn. She res. East Haddam, Conn.

427 Samuel Roberts<sup>7</sup> Ranney (brother to William Keith), b. Nov. 6, 1827, Upper Houses; m. Oct. 10, 1848, Fanny Havens, d. 1862, dau. of David and Rebecca Havens. He d. July 13, 1865.

*Children:*

Emma White, b. Aug. 7, 1849; d. Dec. 24, 1886; m. Charles Treat.

Frederick Starr, b. Dec. 26, 1852; res. New Haven, Conn.  
Fanny Dudley, b. Apr. 6, 1860; res. New Haven, Conn.

428 Mary Melissa<sup>7</sup> Ranney (Henry<sup>6</sup>, William<sup>5</sup>, Fletcher<sup>4</sup>, Joseph<sup>3</sup>, Joseph<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>), b. Oct. 6, 1832, Upper Houses; m.

May 11, 1852, Cromwell, Conn., Edward Russell Blinn, b. Apr. 26, 1829, West Rocky Hill, son of Fred Blinn and Lucinda Goodrich. Rep., Meth. He d. Jan. 10, 1900, Cromwell. Widow res. Cromwell.

*Children:*

- 630 Eva F., b. Apr. 10, 1853; m. Aug. 8, 1877, Dr. John H. Trent.  
Edward A., b. June, 1856; unm. Florist; res. Cromwell, Conn.  
Daniel H., b. June, 1859; m. Lela Furness; res. Hartford, Conn.
- 631 Mary Ranney, b. Jan. 21, 1863; m. Frank E. Sanford.

429 Caroline Hamlin<sup>7</sup> Ranney (sister to Mary Melissa), b. Feb. 19, 1836, Upper Houses; m. there, Oct. 28, 1858, Rockwell Belden Hale, b. Apr. 23, 1833, Rocky Hill, Conn., son of Jared Hale and Mary Belden. Retired farmer and butcher, Dem., selectman, 1862-4, assessor, 1888-97, Bapt.; res. Cromwell, Conn.

*Children:*

- Henry Rockwell, b. July 8, 1860; d. May 6, 1863.
- 632 Henry Ranney, b. Mar. 5, 1863.
- 633 Burt Jared, b. Jan. 3, 1866.  
John Wilder, b. July 22, 1869; m. Henrietta Mempard, who d. ————. Mem. Legislature, 1907; res. Cromwell, Conn.  
Carrie May, b. May 20, 1876; d. Aug. 17, 1878.

430 Benjamin Henry<sup>7</sup> Ranney (brother to Mary Melissa), b. Feb. 3, 1840; m. Glastonbury, Conn., Sarah Stevens. Rep.; res. Cromwell, Conn.

<sup>a</sup> *Child:*

- Charles A., b. Nov. 9, 1872; m. Apr. 12, 1898, Frances Dammuller, b. May 2, 1876, Rocky Hill, Conn., dau. of August and Augusta Dammuller. Bapt., florist; res. Hartford, Conn. *Child:*  
Sarah Agnes, b. Jan. 13, 1899.

431 William W.<sup>7</sup> Ranney (William W.<sup>6</sup>, Charles<sup>5</sup>, Hezekiah<sup>4</sup>, Joseph<sup>3</sup>, Joseph<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>), b. Nov. 29, 1830, Newburyport, Mass.; m. (1) Nov. 15, 1855, Livermore, Ky., Rhoda Taylor, b. ————; d. Aug. 1, 1859, Livermore, dau. of Silas Taylor and Elizabeth Brown; m. (2) May 17, 1886, Grand Meadow, Minn., Isabelle Cole Dunbar, dau. of Christopher C. Cole and widow of

Rollin Dunbar. Grad. 1876, Law Dept., Iowa State Uni., 1st Lieut. Co. A, 26th Reg., Ky. Inf., Rep., Bapt., F. & A. M., J. of Peace, J. of Probate. Judge Ranney reports that at the battle of Shiloh his company captured the orderly sergeant of the Confederate company in which his own brother, George, was serving. A prisoner related that the last he saw of George he was helping to carry his captain off the field. Res. Austin, Minn.

*Children:*

634 Susan Eliza, b. Aug. 18, 1856; m. Ole S. Swenson.  
Isabella, b. 1858; d. 1858.

635 William Silas, b. July 20, 1859.

432 Susan Clark<sup>r</sup> Ranney (sister to William W.), b. Aug. 13, 1834, Newburyport, Mass.; d. Oct. 5, 1901, Livermore, Ky.; m. Dec. 28, 1854, Andrew Jackson Atherton, b. Nov. 16, 1833, Davis Co., Ky. Rep., Missionary Bapt.; res. Livermore, Ky.

*Children:*

636 Beatrice, b. Oct. 21, 1855; m. Thomas Owen.

637 Romeo, b. June 4, 1857.

638 Vina, b. Mar. 12, 1859; m. Richard T. Martin.

639 Zidana, b. Apr. 8, 1861; m. W. M. Humphrey.

640 Vasco, b. Aug. 15, 1863.

Guy Ranney, b. Mar. 18, 1867; unm., carpenter.

641 Vesta C., b. June 25, 1869; m. Robert C. Owen.

642 Orra Storm, b. Sept. 28, 1871; m. Wm. B. King.

433 Isabella<sup>r</sup> Ranney (sister to William W.), b. Mar. 10, 1837, Newburyport, Mass.; d. Oct. 21, 1903; m. Dec. 16, 1852, McLean Co., Ky., Job Malin Smith, b. Dec. 9, 1828; d. May 11, 1867, Franson, Ill. Farmer, mem. Christian ch.

*Children:*

643 Delilah, b. Nov. 5, 1853; m. J. A. Miller.

Alexander Campbell, b. Mar. 22, 1857; unm., bridge builder; res. Livermore, Ky., on homestead of his grandfather, Wm. W. Ranney.

644 Madora, b. Mar. 14, 1859; m. S. P. Miller.

Horace, b. Aug. 10, 1862; d. Feb. 14, 1881.

645 Sonora, b. Sept. 26, 1864; m. M. S. Barnett.

434 George Ranney (brother to William W.). . . . (The compiler of this volume as a chaplain in the army was called on to

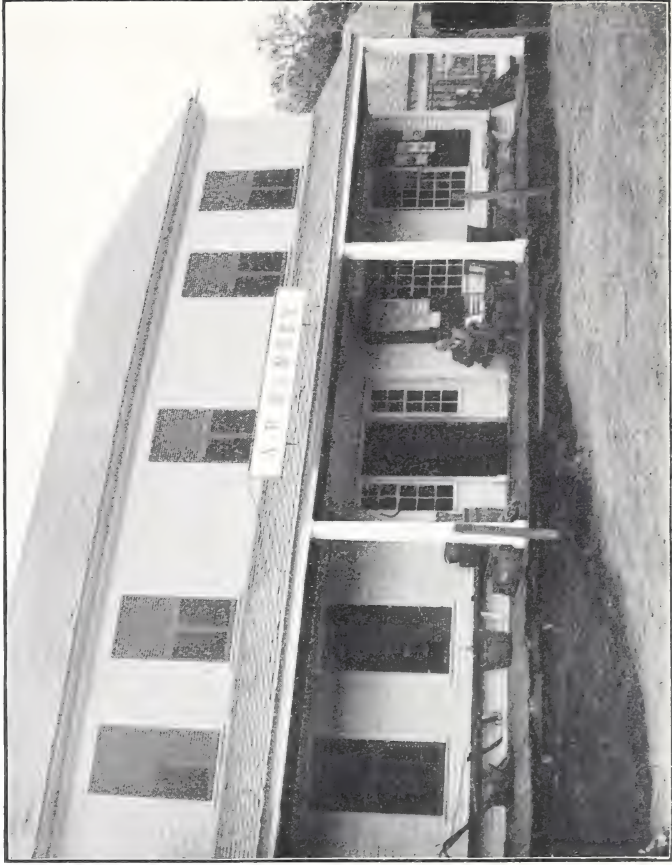




THE HOME OF MRS. ISABELLA (RANNEY) SMITH  
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OLD EPHRAIM RANNEY TAVERN, WESTMINSTER WEST, V.T.  
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write many letters for others and he reproduces entire this letter of a Confederate to inform the friends of George of his death. This printed page may fall into the hands of this Mr. Bailey or of his friends to assure him that it may inspire others to "Lend a Hand"). George Ranney, a druggist, was Corporal of Co. G, 9th Ken. Inf., 1st Ken. Brigade, Breckenridge Division, Harden's Corps, Western Army. Enlisted Oct. 1, 1861; disc. from Hospital and was captured while making his way to his home.

CAMP CHASE, OHIO, Oct. 23, '63.

MR. WILLIAM RANNEY:

SIR:—Your brother received your mother's letter on 17 inst., but being a little unwell at the time he concluded to wait a few days before answering. He was taken sick on the night of the 14th inst., but we thought not serious. On Friday the doctor pronounced it the typhoid pneumonia and ordered him to be taken to the hospital. There he received the closest attention of doctor Norris from Owingsborough, who did all in his power to make him comfortable. We still thought that he would recover, but, alas, God had willed it otherwise. At 7 o'clock this morning He in His infinite wisdom called him from this world of sin and sorrow to enjoy the rich blessings of a never ending eternity. We have been prisoners together ever since the 20th of May, and I am happy to say that I not only found him a pleasant and agreeable companion, but a young man that won the respect and esteem of every one who knew him. And while his friends at home mourn his loss, we as brothers in the same cause deeply regret that he has been called away, feeling that we have not only lost a true friend and a good soldier whose place it is hard to fill, but one whose life had it been spared would have made a bright and shining star in society. I also would remark for the consolation of his friends that he was fully prepared for the summons, and quietly resigned himself to his fate. He retained full possession of his senses to the last.

Yours with respect,  
R. R. BAILEY.

439 Charles William<sup>7</sup> Ranney (James Stow<sup>6</sup>, Charles<sup>5</sup>, Hezekiah<sup>4</sup>, Joseph<sup>3</sup>, Joseph<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>), b. Feb. 28, 1860, Cromwell, Ky.; m. (1) Nov. 20, 1879, Fanny Douglas Norman, b. July 26, 1861, d. Apr. 1, 1888, dau. of Curran Norman and Pamela James; m. (2) Sept. 9, 1888, Mary E. Arbuckle, b. July 4, 1867, dau. of Curran Arbuckle and Eliza Hodges. Farmer, Dem., Christian Ch., F. & A. M.; res. Select, Ky.

*Children:*

Reuben S., b. Nov. 1, 1881; d. Apr. 8, 1899.  
 Guy, b. Jan. 2, 1884.  
 Floy, b. Feb. 9, 1890.  
 Lee, b. Mar. 1, 1895.

440 Julia Maria<sup>7</sup> Ranney (Jabez<sup>6</sup>, Hezekiah<sup>5</sup>, Hezekiah<sup>4</sup>, Joseph<sup>3</sup>, Joseph<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>), b. Feb. 9, 1825, Rochester, N. Y.; m. May 18, 1843, Genesee, N. Y., William Loomis Wells, b. Oct. 4, 1818, Geneseo, son of Dr. Cyrus Wells and Linai Fitch Chipman; grad. Geneva Med. Coll. and practiced till his death, June 18, 1898. Presb., F. & A. M. Widow res. Howell, Mich.

*Children:*

William Henry, b. \_\_\_\_\_; d. Feb. 12, 1890; lawyer, editor; m. Aug. 12, 1873, Ella Josephine Iliff. *Children:*  
 Helen Iliff, b. May 21, 1874.  
 Julia Ranney, b. Jan. 16, 1876.  
 Matilda Rayburn, b. Aug. 14, 1884.  
 Julia Ranney, b. Apr. 11, 1853; d. July 1, 1877; m. July 27, 1876, Edward Willard Wetmore. She was a musician of promise. He m. (2) \_\_\_\_\_; and is with State Normal School, Albany, N. Y.

441 Harriet Cornelia<sup>7</sup> Ranney (sister to Julia Maria), b. Nov. 25, 1827, Rochester, N. Y.; m. Mar. 21, 1854, Milo Lee Gay, b. June 20, 1825, Salisbury, Conn.; died Mar. 31, 1884; son of Edward F. Gay and Clarissa Lee. She d. Mar. 18, 1903. Both Episcopal. He grad. 1848, Oberlin; adm. 1853 to Michigan Bar, Active Magistrate, 1856-68, Howell, Mich., Circuit Court Commissioner, 1858-9, mem. Legislature, 1869-70, then banker at Fowlerville, Mich., Howell Commandery K. T.

*Child:*

Elizabeth Ranney, b. Aug. 21, 1862; m. Feb. 15, 1886, Charles Wilkins Hayden, b. July 22, 1860, Martinsburg, W. Va. Jeweller; res. Oakland, Cal.

442 Julius Augustus<sup>7</sup> Ranney (brother to Julia Maria), b. Aug. 23, 1831; m. Jan. 8, 1867, Mary Brown; res. at Honeoye Falls, N. Y.

*Child:*

Louise, b. \_\_\_\_\_.

443 Jennie Mary<sup>7</sup> Ranney (sister to Julia Maria), b. Nov. 30, 1836, Geneseo, N. Y.; d. May 21, 1905, Howell, Mich.; m. Apr. 12, 1859, Howell, William McPherson, Jr., b. Scotland, son of William McPherson and Elizabeth Riddle. She was for 30 years active in the Presby. ch. and S. S. He is a banker in Howell, Mich.

*Children:*

- William Frederick, b. \_\_\_\_\_; d. Oct. 20, 1878.  
 645a Alice, b. Nov. 18, 1862; m. Dr. W. C. Spencer.  
 Robert Bruce, b. \_\_\_\_\_; res. Howell, Mich.  
 645b Mary Blythe, b. May 22, 1865; m. J. W. Bigelow.

444 Frank George<sup>7</sup> Ranney (brother to Julia Maria), b. Apr. 9, 1838, Geneseo, N. Y.; m. Dec. 5, 1861, Niagara Falls, N. Y., Frances Amelia<sup>6</sup> Hamlin, b. Sept. 1, 1841 Oswego, N. Y.; d. July 25, 1899, Rochester, N. Y., dau. of Samuel Deming<sup>5</sup> Hamlin (John<sup>4</sup>, Charles<sup>3</sup>, William<sup>2</sup>, Giles<sup>1</sup>), and Frances M. Griswold. She rendered much assistance in compiling the Giles Hamlin Book. He is Epis. and merchant, F. & A. M.; res. Rochester, N. Y.

*Children:*

- Agnes Alice, b. July 6, 1862; d. Aug., 1865.  
 Frederick Hamlin, b. Jan. 7, 1864; d. Sept., 1865  
 Arthur Wells, b. July 16, 1868; m. June, 1891, Lucy Whit-  
 tlesey Cross; res. Century, Fla. *Children:* Marjorie,  
 Hamlin, William Packard.  
 Rheny Packard, b. Nov. 20, 1870; d. Feb. 15, 1871.  
 Louis Griswold, b. July 24, 1872; d. 1903; m. Kathryn Ford.  
 Frances Hamlin, b. Oct. 18, 1873; m. Oct. 15, 1893, Herbert  
 Clifford Howlett, b. May 23, 1871; bank clerk; res.  
 Rochester, N. Y.  
 Lola Maria, b. Jan. 20, 1875; d. Jan. 17, 1885.  
 Mabel Emily, b. Mar. 7, 1883.

445 Frederick Packard<sup>7</sup> Ranney (brother to Julia Maria), b. Oct. 24, 1844; d. Sept. 21, 1884; m. Aug. 15, 1872, Kansas City, Mo., Ella Case, b. \_\_\_\_\_.

*Children:*

- Julia Case, killed by a cyclone.  
 Florence, b. \_\_\_\_\_; m. Wm. Kerley; res. Shreveport,  
 La.

446 David Francis<sup>7</sup> Ranney (David Gardner<sup>6</sup>, David Stocking<sup>5</sup>, Hezekiah<sup>4</sup>, Joseph<sup>3</sup>, Joseph<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>), b. Apr. 13, 1847, Boston,

Mass.; m. (1) Apr., 1879, Girard, Kan., Theresa Islinger; m. (2) Lizzie Bartol; res. Chicago, Ill.

*Children by 1st marriage:*

Francis Gardner; res. Boston, Mass.

Edwin Granville; res. Boston, Mass.

James Hervey; res. Boston, Mass.

*Child by 2d marriage:*

Marie Curtis, b. Dec. 24, 1893; res. Boston, Mass.

447 George Henry<sup>7</sup> Ranney (brother to David Francis), b. Aug. 3, 1850, Boston, Mass.; m. Apr. 26, 1882, St. Paul, Minn., Fanny Rosamond Willes (Willis), b. Sept. 6, 1859, St. Paul, dau. of Charles L. Willes and Anna Marie Gleeson. She is Episcopal, mem. D. A. R., State Regent of The Children's Society of the American Revolution. He received his education in the public schools and Chauncey Hall, grad. at Bus. Coll. In 1878 rem. to St. Paul and est. the house of Ranney & Hodgman, the first exclusively wholesale rubber house in the West, north of Chicago, becoming the St. Paul Rubber Co. Since 1889 a manfr. of sheet metal, director Second Nat. Bank; res. St. Paul, Minn.

*Children:*

Willis, b. Jan. 14, 1883; grad. 1907, Mass. Institute of Technology as C. E.

Lillian Curtis, b. May 3, 1885; grad. Oak Hall Sem., St. Paul and "Castle School," Tarrytown, N. Y.

Alfred Gardner, b. June 5, 1889, grad. 1907, Central High School.

448 Martha Ann<sup>7</sup> Hubbard (Gen. Abner<sup>6</sup>, Esther<sup>5</sup> Hamlin, Lucretia<sup>4</sup> Ranney, Daniel<sup>3</sup>, Joseph<sup>2</sup>, Joseph<sup>1</sup>), b. Sept. 15, 1816, Norwich, Vt.; m. May 30, 1838, Rochester, N. Y., Horatio Gates Wolcott, b. Apr. 21, 1804, Trenton, N. Y., woolen mfg. and flour mills. Epis. She d. Nov. 22, 1856, Clifton Springs, N. Y. He d. Dec. 8, 1881, Covington, Ky., descendant of John Wolcott of Galdon Manor, Tolland, Somerset, Eng.

*Children:*

Henry, b. June 19, 1839.

Francis E., b. Dec. 13, 1840.

Frederick P., b. Sept. 16, 1842.

Millicent, b. Sept. 7, 1845; m. Frederick Burckhardt.

646 Mary Elizabeth, b. Jan. 4, 1848; m. William Sparrow.

448a Rev. William Ranney<sup>7</sup> Baldwin (Clarissa Gaylord<sup>6</sup> Ranney, William<sup>5</sup>, Jonathan<sup>4</sup>, Jonathan<sup>3</sup>, Joseph<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>), b. Oct. 24, 1840, Middletown, Conn.; m. Sept. 15, 1863, Middletown, Laura Malinda Prior, b. May 27, 1842, Middletown, dau. of Warren Prior and Caroline Malinda Newell. She taught in Middletown schools. He grad. Wesleyan, 1862, A. M., 1865; engaged in teaching, 1862-69; business to '73; preaching to 1897; invalid, 1904; Sec.-Treas., Vermont Baptist Hist. Soc.; Pres. Y. M. C. A., Holyoke, Mass.; Trustee Baptist Minister's Home Society; mem. XI chapter of Psi Upsilon; Phi Beta Kappa. He retired to Friendship, N. Y., where he d. June 26, 1906. Widow res. Friendship, N. Y.

*Child:*

Hattie Prior, b. Aug. 5, 1864, Middletown; m. June 28, 1893, Saxton's River, Vt., Asher Miner Wellman, b. Nov. 13, 1866, Friendship, N. Y., Pres. First Nat. Bank, index clerk of N. Y. State Senate, Rep., Bapt., F. & A. M., Psi Upsilon Yale, B. P. O. E. Mrs. Wellman is Gamma Phi Beta Syracuse Uni., D. A. R.; res. Friendship, N. Y. *Children:*  
 Kathryn Ivel, b. May 7, 1894.  
 Raymond Baldwin, b. May 18, 1897; d. Aug. 22, 1898.  
 Laura Baldwin, b. Aug. 9, 1900.  
 Harriet Louise, b. Oct. 9, 1904.

449 William<sup>7</sup> Ranney (William<sup>6</sup>, William<sup>5</sup>, Jonathan<sup>4</sup>, Jonathan<sup>3</sup>, Joseph<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>), b. Mar. 27, 1850, N. Y. City; m. Oct. 1880, West Hoboken, N. J., Sarah Collins, b. June 30, 1864; educated in private schools, Catholic. In mercantile life in N. Y. City; res. West Hoboken, N. J.

*Children:*

Sarah, b. July 3, 1881.  
 William, b. July 3, 1881; d. July 21, 1881.  
 Gertrude, b. Jan. 11, 1884; d. Dec. 2, 1888.  
 Teresa, b. Oct. 29, 1885; d. Dec. 5, 1888.  
 Margaret, b. Jan. 7, 1888.  
 Ada, b. Jan. 7, 1888; d. Oct. 29, 1888.  
 Clarissa, b. Feb. 12, 1901.

450 James Joseph<sup>7</sup> Ranney (brother to William), b. Nov. 1, 1853, West Hoboken, N. J.; m. Apr. 24, 1881, N. Y. City, Elizabeth Finer, b. May 11, 1858, N. Y. City, dau. of Ignatius Charles Finer and Elizabeth Sattler. Accountant to 1896 with Singer

Mfg. Co. Since then conducting a summer hotel at Yulan, Sullivan Co., N. Y.

*Children:*

Lauretta Mary Margaret, b. Aug. 17, 1882.

Claude Joseph, b. Dec. 27, 1883.

William Gaylord, b. Sept. 23, 1885, clerk, 17 Warren St., N. Y. City.

451 Elizabeth Gridley<sup>7</sup> Ranney (James<sup>6</sup>, James<sup>5</sup>, Ebenezer<sup>4</sup>, Ebenezer<sup>3</sup>, Ebenezer<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>), b. Feb. 18, 1833, Upper Houses; m. Oct. 3, 1860, Charles Collard Adams, b. June 22, 1836, Washington, D. C., son of George Adams and Jemima Collard. A. B., 1859, Wesleyan Uni., A. M., 1877, Trinity College. Episcopal clergyman to 1883. Since Nov. 1, 1883, a Catholic layman. Given to newspaper and literary work. Chaplain of 22d Reg. Conn. Vols., 1862-3. Officiated at the burial of General Nathaniel Lyon. Active Democrat in promoting local reforms; res. Cromwell.

*Children:*

Elizabeth Virginia, b. Nov. 4, 1861. Teacher; res. Cromwell.

647 James Mortimer, b. June 30, 1863.

648 Chas. Samuel Gridley, b. Aug. 17, 1867.

Arthur Ranney, b. June 10, 1870; d. Apr. 27, 1893.

[ADAMS-COLLARD LINEAGE—Francis Adams, b. 1642-3, in England; came to Maryland and acquired lands (1663-1671) in Charles County, south of the present city of Washington; and called "Troops Rendezvous." He died in 1698.

Lieut. George Godfrey and Mary, widow of John Payne, were married before 1674. He was Lieut. of Horse and Justice of the Peace in 1681.

Francis<sup>2</sup> Adams, b. 1675; m. 1704, Mary Godfrey. His will is dated Nov. 30, 1760.

George<sup>3</sup> Adams, the second son, m. Gillam Martin. *Children:* Martin, Frank, Samuel, Grace and Selia.

Samuel<sup>4</sup> Adams was married Dec. 28, 1777, to Sarah Nelson, both of Durham Parish, Charles County, by the Rev. Henry Fendall. He was enrolled July 25, 1776, by Ensign William Adams in the Maryland Militia. (Md. Muster Rolls, vol. 18, p. 32). *Children:* Thomas, George, Anne, Sallie.

George<sup>5</sup> Adams, b. 1781, rem. 1798, to Washington City. Was a merchant through life, for over thirty years treasurer of Ebenezer M. E. church, leader of Class No. 1, and Supt. of S. S. till



ill health required him to withdraw. Served in the war of 1812; m. Feb. 13, 1816, Jemima Collard. He d. Feb. 20, 1844. She d. Mar. 15, 1852.

Samuel<sup>1</sup> Collard of England, settled in Maryland, 1760, near the present City of Washington; m. Oct. 31, 1762, Agnes Ochterloney, both of St. John's Parish, Prince George County, by the Rev. Henry Addison, rector. In 1771 Samuel Collard purchased several pieces of property in Carrollsburg, now within the City of Washington, of Daniel Carroll, who married Miss Fenwick, whose parents owned "Duddington Manor," which included the strip of territory on which stands the Catholic University, the Capitol, Carrollsburg, etc.

John George<sup>2</sup> Collard, b. Sept. 29, 1769, in St. John's Parish, resided on land given him in Carrollsburg by his father. He m. Elizabeth Johnson, b. Oct. 14, 1771, Fauquier Co., Va., the youngest of thirteen children. He was the first official of the Methodist church in what was the City of Washington, representing them in a quarterly conference held, 1802, in Georgetown. The preacher was to preach one-third of the time in Washington and two-thirds in Georgetown. His home was with Mr. Collard. He d. July 5, 1814. She d. in 1843. Jemima<sup>3</sup> Collard was b. Dec. 23, 1798.]

452 Cornelia L'Hommedieu<sup>7</sup> Ranney (sister to Elizabeth Gridley), b. Dec. 10, 1840, Upper Houses; m. Oct. 23, 1872, Arthur H. Merrill. She d. Oct. 11, 1873. Her child was baptized by the side of her coffin at the time of her funeral.

*Child:*

Cornelia L'Hommedieu, b. Oct. 4, 1873; m. Sept. 24, 1892, Howard Francis; res. Newington, Conn. *Children:*  
 Arthur Merrill, b. July 17, 1893.  
 Benjamin, b. Feb. 13, 1898.

## EIGHTH GENERATION.

453 Fred Rawson<sup>8</sup> French (Rebecca<sup>7</sup> Stetson, Hannah Hook<sup>6</sup> Ranney, Thomas Stow<sup>5</sup>, Jeremiah<sup>4</sup>, Thomas<sup>3</sup>, Thomas<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>), b. Nov. 15, 1857, Bridgewater, Mass.; m. (1) Dec. 15, 1897, No. Bridgewater, Alice Bell Upham, b. Aug. 13, 1869, Stoughton, Mass.; d. May 29, 1902, Campello, Mass.; m. (2) Nov. 18, 1903, Brockton, Mass., Lillie Alice Farrar, b. July 11, 1874, Jersey City, N. J., dau. of Samuel Page Farrar and Sarah Palmer. Rep., Swedenborgian, F. & A. M., collector of taxes, 1892-1902; res. Campello, Mass.

### *Child:*

Frederic Rawson, b. Oct. 27, 1904.

454 Nancy Emily<sup>8</sup> Davis (William<sup>7</sup>, Martha Patty<sup>6</sup> Ranney, Solomon<sup>5</sup>, Jeremiah<sup>4</sup>, Thomas<sup>3</sup>, Thomas<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>), b. Oct. 6, 1849, Kortright, N. Y.; m. May 4, 1879, Kortright, N. Y., Samuel Carson Mitchell, b. Jan. 3, 1851, Meredith, N. Y.; F. & A. M., clerk in Adj. General's office, Washington, D. C.; d. Apr. 12, 1890, Washington, D. C.; widow res. Bloomville, N. Y.

### *Children:*

William Carson, b. Aug. 9, 1880; m. E. E. Howard; res. Bloomville, N. Y.

Nancy Alice, b. Apr. 15, 1882; d. Aug. 18, 1884.

Hugh Anderson, b. July 18, 1883; res. Bloomville, N. Y. Grant, b. Feb. 3, 1888; d. Apr. 25, 1888.

455 Martha J.<sup>8</sup> Davis (sister to Nancy Emily), b. Aug. 15, 1853; m. June 30, 1872, Daniel R. Ceas, b. July 2, 1855, New York City; res. Bloomville, N. Y.

### *Children:*

William D., b. May 29, 1873; m. 1899, Helen Bailey.

Delbert J., b. Sept., 30, 1874; m. 1902, Jennie Spickerman.

Frank R., b. Nov. 27, 1889; d. Mar. 13, 1894.

456 Ferris Edward<sup>8</sup> Davis (Andrew Jackson<sup>7</sup> Davis, Martha Patty<sup>6</sup> Ranney, Solomon<sup>5</sup>, Jeremiah<sup>4</sup>, Thomas<sup>3</sup>, Thomas<sup>2</sup>,

Thomas<sup>1</sup>), b. Apr. 2, 1856, Kortright, N. Y.; m. Aug. 28, 1878, Delhi, N. Y., Isabel Catherine Rose, b. Sept. 1, 1857, Delhi, N. Y. Res. Delhi, N. Y.

*Children:*

Cora Edith, b. Jan. 23, 1882.  
 Helen Sturges, b. Oct. 23, 1883.  
 Frances Anabel, b. Aug. 29, 1886.  
 Edna Rose, b. Apr. 15, 1888.  
 Effie Belle, b. Nov. 3, 1890.  
 Edmund Rose, b. June 29, 1893.  
 Andrew Ferris, b. May 28, 1896.  
 Mary Priscilla, b. Jan. 7, 1900.

457 Susan A.<sup>8</sup> Ranney (Royal<sup>7</sup>, Jeremiah<sup>6</sup>, Stephen<sup>5</sup>, Jeremiah<sup>4</sup>, Thomas<sup>3</sup>, Thomas<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>), b. Oct. 4, 1840, Cape Girardeau, Mo.; m. Apr. 12, 1860, Little York, Ill., William Edward Smith, b. Jan. 31, 1832; d. May 15, 1889; she d. Apr. 14, 1889.

*Children:*

649 Emma Maria, b. Jan. 28, 1861; m. A. D. Hawkins.  
 650 Edward R., b. July 29, 1862.  
 Nathan W., b. June 16, 1864.  
 George C., b. Aug. 10, 1866; d. Sept., 1891.  
 E. N., b. May 26, 1869.  
 651 Mary Elizabeth, b. May 19, 1871; m. Alonzo McFarland.  
 Martha, b. May 19, 1871; d. May, 1871.  
 Samuel J., b. Mar. 10, 1874.  
 Minnie A., b. Mar. 21, 1876.  
 William E., b. Jan. 21, 1881.

458 Nathan Cornelius<sup>8</sup> Ranney (brother to Susan A.), b. July 4, 1842, Jackson, Mo.; m. Apr. 7, 1869, Little York, Ill., Emily Cecilia Whelan, b. Oct. 28, 1848, Brooklyn, N. Y., dau. of James Whelan and Margaret Moore; private, Feb., 1864, in Co. C, 91st Ill. Cols.; transferred July, 1865, to 28th Ill. Vols., and stationed at Brownsville, Texas, and while there witnessed the battle of Matamoras, between Maximilian and the Mexicans; mustered out Mar. 15, 1866; since then he has been engaged in farming and stock raising on an extensive scale; Rep., Meth., Com. of Highways, 1885-89. Supervisor for some years; d. Sept. 14, 1906.

*Children:*

652 Mary Ann Arminda, b. May 16, 1870; m. Charles Laird.  
 653 William Cornelius, b. Dec. 12, 1871.

- 654 James Royal, b. June 1, 1874.  
 Joseph Jeremiah, b. June 27, 1875.  
 Margaret Myrtle, b. Sept. 15, 1880.  
 Lottie Emily, b. Jan. 31, 1885.  
 Matilda Gertrude, b. May 2, 1887.  
 Maud Esteline, b. May 7, 1889.

459 Mary Elizabeth<sup>s</sup> Ranney (sister to Susan A.), b. May 6, 1846, Cape Girardeau, Mo.; m. Apr. 11, 1874, Menominee, Wis., Joseph Hamilton Gates, b. Nov. 4, 1850, Highland, Ill., son of Joseph McDougal Gates; real estate, Notary Public, school director, J. P., Supt. Schools, School Com., Rep., I. O. O. F., M. W. A., F. N. of A.; res. Rice Lake, Wis.

*Children:*

- Joseph Royal, b. May 6, 1875; d. Feb. 21, 1877.  
 George Gilbert Wilbur, b. May 10, 1876.  
 Joseph McDonough, b. Feb. 1, 1878.  
 Royal Ranney, b. Aug. 16, 1879; d. Feb. 3, 1880.  
 Jeremiah Clarence, b. Oct. 18, 1880.  
 Susan Arminda, b. Apr. 9, 1883; d. Apr. 10, 1883.  
 Bessie Annie, b. Sept. 2, 1884; d. Oct. 15, 1888.  
 Laurie Elsie, b. Mar. 6, 1887.

460 Jeremiah<sup>s</sup> Ranney (brother to Susan A.), b. Aug. 28, 1848, Mercer Co., Ill.; m. Mar. 25, 1880, Keithsburg, Ill., Clara Emma Thomson, b. Mar. 12, 1859, Keithsburg, Ill.; d. Feb. 2, 1906; dau. of John Smith Thomson and Martha P. Gruwell; farmer and stockman, Rep.; res. Seaton, Ill.

*Children:*

- 655 Royal William, b. June 5, 1881.  
 656 Joseph Marion, b. Sept. 26, 1882.  
 Stillborn son, b. Apr. 6, 1884.  
 Ben Thompson, b. Mar. 2, 1886; d. July 20, 1892.  
 Susan Ruth, b. Feb. 1, 1888.  
 Clarence Jeremiah, b. Sept. 11, 1889.  
 Mary Vera, b. Apr. 10, 1891; d. Sept. 22, 1896.  
 John Charles, b. June 26, 1895.  
 Clara Edna, b. June 8, 1898.

461 Royal Gilbert<sup>s</sup> Ranney (brother to Susan A.), b. Sept. 1, 1854, Little York, Ill.; m. Dec. 31, 1891, Seaton, Ill, Josephine Sloan, b. July 25, 1856, Oquawka, Ill., dau. of George Sloan and

Frances Betterton. Mr. Ranney was born and raised on the farm on which he is now living, being the youngest of his father's family. He received his education in a country school, and in a good normal school. At the age of twenty-two he entered into a partnership with his father in extensive farming and stock raising and feeding. At the age of twenty-eight he began raising pure bred Hereford cattle, starting with a herd of three registered Herefords, and has been so successful that at the present time he is considered to have one of the largest and best herds of registered Herefords in the State of Illinois. He is also largely interested in real estate in Missouri and western Canada; res. Little York, Illinois.

*Children:*

Royal Gilbert, b. Jan. 1, 1893.  
Nathan Charles, b. Nov. 10, 1894.

462 William Thomas<sup>8</sup> Ranney (Johnson Camp<sup>7</sup>, Johnson<sup>6</sup>, Stephen<sup>5</sup>, Jeremiah<sup>4</sup>, Thomas<sup>3</sup>, Thomas<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>), b. 1862, Jackson, Mo.; m. Amanda Claire; d. June 14, 1898; widow res. Monte Viste, Cal.

463 Johnson Camp<sup>8</sup> Ranney (brother to William Thomas), b. Jan. 23, 1864, Jackson, Mo.; m. Lucy Hestand; carpenter, Dem.; res. Oakland, Cal.

*Children:*

William.  
Elizabeth.

464 John Gayle<sup>8</sup> Ranney (brother to William Thomas), b. Feb. 27, 1873, Jackson, Mo.; m. Apr. 22, 1897, Caroline Richards. He was a miller and Dem., d. Feb. 18, 1904; widow res. Jackson, Mo.

465 William Ranney<sup>8</sup> Beardslee (Mary Gayle<sup>7</sup> Ranney, Johnson<sup>6</sup>, Stephen<sup>5</sup>, Jeremiah<sup>4</sup>, Thomas<sup>3</sup>, Thomas<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>), b. Sept. 19, 1864, Jackson, Mo.; m. June 1, 1893, Commerce, Mo., Carrie Ross, dau. of James Ross and Ruth Barnes; farmer, Dem., Meth.; res. Commerce, Mo.

*Children:*

Ruth, b. \_\_\_\_\_.  
Mary, b. \_\_\_\_\_.

466 Thomas Johnson<sup>8</sup> Beardslee (brother to William Ranney), b. Oct. 17, 1866, Jackson, Mo.; m. Feb. 1, 1893, Commerce, Mo., Annie Gaither, b. Aug. 24, 1868, Commerce, Mo., dau. of John

and Columbia Gaither; Dem., Meth., farmer, merchant, lumberman, F. & A. M., U. W. of A.; res. Randles, Mo.

*Children:*

Emma, b. Nov. 12, 1893.  
 John Clarence, b. Oct. 17, 1895.  
 Frederick Gaither, b. Dec. 10, 1897.  
 Harry Blackburn, b. Oct. 28, 1900.  
 Thomas Ralph, b. May 6, 1903.

467 Mary Elizabeth<sup>s</sup> Beardslee (sister to William Ranney), Dec. 22, 1868, Jackson, Mo.; m. Apr. 27, 1897, Albert Ellis, son of Nelson Ellis and Harriet T. Gaither; F. & A. M., Meth.; res. Commerce, Mo.

*Children:*

Grady, b. \_\_\_\_\_.  
 Mary T., b. \_\_\_\_\_.

468 Esther Gauss<sup>s</sup> Beardslee (sister to William Ranney), b. Aug. 27, 1873, Jackson, Mo.; m. Dec. 18, 1896, Grady Darby.

*Children:*

Grady, b. \_\_\_\_\_.  
 Paul, b. \_\_\_\_\_.  
 Ralph, b. \_\_\_\_\_.

469 John<sup>s</sup> Beardslee (brother to William Ranney), b. Oct. 24, 1875, Jackson, Mo.; m. Mar. 26, 1902, Patty Gupton; merchant, Dem.; res. Blodgett, Mo.

*Children:*

Mary Margaret, b. Dec. 8, 1901.  
 Richard Ellis, b. Nov. 10, 1902.  
 Robert Gupton, b. Aug. 10, 1906.

470 Paul<sup>s</sup> Beardslee (brother to William Ranney), b. Jan. 13, 1877, Jackson, Mo.; m. Aug. 27, 1902, Fanny Graves; farmer; res. Essex, Mo.

*Children:*

Esther Gayle, b. Aug. 19, 1903.  
 Helen Maxine, b. May 18, 1907.

471 James Preston<sup>s</sup> Wilson (Harriet Palmer<sup>r</sup> Hawes, Polly<sup>e</sup> Ranney, Julius<sup>s</sup>, Jeremiah<sup>4</sup>, Thomas<sup>3</sup>, Thomas<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>), b.

Feb. 6, 1857, Lyons, Iowa; m. Feb. 11, 1887, Youngstown, O., Frances Eliza Patton, b. Aug. 18, 1861, Mt. Vernon, O., dau. of Dr. Thomas and Mary Elizabeth Patton; attorney, Dem., B. P. O. E., S. A. R., Epis.; res. Youngstown, O.

*Children:*

Richard Barthey, b. Sept. 30, 1888.  
James Taylor, b. Mar. 30, 1890.  
Harold Leslie, b. Sept. 20, 1892.

472 David Hawes<sup>8</sup> Wilson (brother to James Preston), b. Dec. 6, 1859, Lyons, Ia.; m. New York City, Helen Windsor; actor and theatrical mgr.; d. 1894, New York City.

*Child:*

Stafford Clay, res. New York City.

473 William Ranney<sup>8</sup> Wilson (brother to James Preston), b. Feb. 11, 1863, Cleveland, O.; m. Mohegan, O., Adelaide Moors; journalist, telegraphic editor N. Y. *Herald*, and other metropolitan papers; author of "The Great Northwest," and other dramas; res. New York City.

*Children:*

Dudley Moors, res. School of Mines, Golden, Colo.  
Florence, res. Oklahoma City, Okla.

474 Antoinette Augusta<sup>8</sup> Ranney (Julius Butler<sup>7</sup>, Oliver<sup>6</sup>, Julius<sup>5</sup>, Jeremiah<sup>4</sup>, Thomas<sup>3</sup>, Thomas<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>), b. Aug. 12, 1874, Chesterland, O.; m. Sept. 26, 1900, Chesterland, O., Roy Constantine Eddy, b. Feb., 1875, Chesterland, O., son of Constantine Eddy and Martha Jones; physician, Presb., I. O. O. F.; she is Presb., Avon Club of Western Reserve Uni.; res. Cleveland, O.

*Child:*

Howard Constantine, b. Feb. 26, 1904.

476 Ellen Frances<sup>8</sup> Ranney (Otis Lorenzo<sup>7</sup>, Stephen<sup>6</sup>, William<sup>5</sup>, Thomas<sup>4</sup>, Thomas<sup>3</sup>, Thomas<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>), b. Dec. 13, 1853, Grafton, Vt.; m. Dec. 31, 1878, Grafton, Omer Sumner Stuart, b. Dec. 31, 1855, Andover, Vt., son of John Stuart and Mary Austin; res. So. Londonderry, Vt.

*Child:*

Willie Omer, b. Mar. 20, 1880; m. Mar. 20, 1904, Leominster, Vt., Flora Mavele Smith, b. Jan. 9, 1883, Leominster, dau. of Lewis Gilbert Smith and Flora Ernie Hamlet; res. Leominster, Vt.

477 Charles Freeman<sup>8</sup> Ranney (Freeman<sup>7</sup>, Ephraim<sup>6</sup>, Ephraim<sup>5</sup>, Ephraim<sup>4</sup>, Thomas<sup>3</sup>, Thomas<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>), b. Dec. 8, 1851, Newbury, Vt.; m. Mar. 18, 1874, Newport, Vt., Caroline Delaura Pratt, dau. of Timothy Beedle Pratt and Emily Charlotte Carpenter; Deputy Coll. U. S. Customs, mem. Leg., 1898-1900, Rep., Cong.; res. Newport, Vt.

*Child:*

William Bradford, b. June 23, 1875; m. Oct. 28, 1896, Webster, N. H., Alice Mabel Burbank, b. June 4, 1871, Webster, dau. of William Wirt Burbank and Ellen Maria Dow; F. & A. M., Rep., Cong. Ch., editor and printer; res. Penacook, N. H. *Children:*  
Dorothy Ethel, b. Sept. 3, 1901.  
Katherine Mabel, b. Sept. 30, 1904.

478 Scotto Clark<sup>8</sup> Ranney (Sullivan<sup>7</sup>, Ephraim<sup>6</sup>, Ephraim<sup>5</sup>, Ephraim<sup>4</sup>, Thomas<sup>3</sup>, Thomas<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>), b. Feb. 19, 1837, Kirby, Vt.; m. Oct. 10, 1860, Lyndon, Vt., Philene Elvira True, b. 1836, Newport, Vt., dau. of Josiah Bartlett True and Pattie Brown; farmer, Rep., M. E. Ch., I. O. O. F.; rem. to Lyndon, 1893; res. Lyndon, Vt.

*Children:*

657 Pliny Olin, b. Sept. 13, 1862.  
Winifred, b. Feb. 17, 1864; d. Feb. 27, 1864.  
Elizabeth Sophronia, b. Jan. 2, 1865; d. Feb. 2, 1885.  
658 George Edwin, b. Aug. 31, 1866; d. Dec. 28, 1892.  
659 Eugene Sullivan, b. July 4, 1871.

479 Edson Higgins<sup>8</sup> Ranney (brother to Scotto Clark), b. July 6, 1841, Kirby, Vt.; m. Dec. 26, 1866, Lyndon, Vt., Mehitable Locke, b. Dec. 22, 1834, Kirby, Vt., dau. of Joseph Locke and Mary Watson Knights; farmer, Dem., Meth., private in Co. G, 15th Reg. Vt. Vols., enlisted Sept. 17, 1862; disc. Aug. 5, 1863; was in battle of Gettysburg; enlisted Aug. 23, 1864, private Co. H, First Reg. Vt. Cavalry; wounded Oct. 9, 1864, at Fisher's Hill, sent to the hospital; ret. to Reg. March, 1865; disc. at Burlington, Vt., June 21, 1865; res. West Concord, Vt.

*Children:*

Addie Mabel, b. Aug. 16, 1871.  
Mary Louise, b. Apr. 20, 1874.  
Lottie Elva, b. Sept. 28, 1877; m. Nov. 26, 1902, Charles Walter Taylor, b. Aug. 2, 1879, Victory, Vt.; farmer. Dem.; res. East Burke, Vt.



480 Henry<sup>s</sup> Ranney (brother to Scotto Clark), b. July 4, 1843, Kirby, Vt.; m. Mar. 13, 1873, East St. Johnsbury, Vt., Mary Ellen Abbott, b. June 24, 1844, Pittsburg, N. H., dau. of James Abbott and Sarah Applebee; in Legislature of Vt., 1880, 1890; Selectman of town; farmer, Dem., Cong.; res. on the farm on which he was born; P. O. address is East St. Johnsbury, Vt.

*Children:*

- Harry Albert, b. Jan. 21, 1874; unm.; res. Concord, Vt.  
 660 Phebe, b. Aug. 3, 1875; m. G. A. Cross.  
 Mabel Helen, b. Dec. 30, 1876; unm.; res. Concord, Vt.  
 661 Frank, b. Sept. 23, 1878.  
 Florence Mary, b. Aug. 21, 1880; unm.; res. Concord, Vt.

481 George<sup>s</sup> Ranney (brother to Scotto Clark), b. Dec. 21, 1845, Kirby, Vt.; m. Apr. 7, 1873, Pittsfield, Vt., Eva Cornelia Holt, b. Feb. 19, 1852, Pittsfield, Vt., dau. of Rufus Holt and Laura Ann Bennett; commission merchant, Rep., Meth., K. of P.; was a traveling salesman thirteen years, then in business in St. Johnsbury, Vt., for twenty years; held several town offices, trustee and selectman; official, eighteen years, of M. E. Ch.; res. since 1904, Minneapolis, Minn.

*Children:*

- 662 Elsie Minnie, b. June 18, 1874, Pittsfield, Vt.; m. E. C. Thrasher.  
 Laura May, b. Mar. 5, 1881; unm.  
 Carleton Allen, b. Mar. 3, 1883; unm.; clerk in Minneapolis, Minn.

482 Charles Sullivan<sup>s</sup> Ranney (brother to Scotto Clark), b. Jan. 10, 1855, Kirby, Vt.; m. (1) Oct. 25, 1881, Danville, Vt., Clara E. Stanton, b. June 10, 1858, Danville, Vt., dau. of John A. Stanton and Rose Wells; she d. Apr. 25<sup>th</sup>, 1900, Boston, Mass.; m. (2) Oct. 22, 1903, Danville, Vt., Fannie E. Danforth; constable and tax collector for years, Dem., Cong. Ch., F. & A. M.; wife is O. E. S.; res. Danville, Vt.

*Children:*

- Edith May, b. Oct. 9, 1882; unm.; res. Marlboro, Mass.  
 Herbert Carl, b. Oct. 3, 1884; unm.; res. Danville, Vt.  
 Leslie John, b. Apr. 29, 1886; unm.; res. New London, N. H.

Chas. Sullivan, b. Oct. 15, 1887; unm.; res. Wells Beach, Maine.

Earl Stanton, b. Nov. 14, 1888.

483 Nathan Huse<sup>s</sup> Ranney (brother to Scotto Clark), b. Aug. 18, 1861, Kirby, Vt.; m. July 30, 1889, Sycamore, Ill., Emily Amarilla Martin, b. Jan. 31, 1869, Plymouth, Vt., dau. of Bliss Azariah Martin of Chelsea, Vt., and Urania Cooledge of Chelsea, Vt.; clothier and furnisher, Rep., Cong.; res. Marlboro, Mass.

*Children:*

Bliss Martin, b. Aug. 27, 1895.

Katherine Huse, b. Apr. 9, 1899.

484 Almira Isabel<sup>s</sup> Ranney (sister to Scotto Clark), b. July 8, 1864, Kirby, Vt.; m. Oct. 31, 1888, Victory, Vt., D. J. Lunnie, b. June 23, 1859, Maple Grove, Prov. Que.; selectman, assessor, school director, Epis. Ch., Overseer of Poor, I. O. O. F., machinist; res. North Troy, Vt.

*Children:*

Hazel Mildred, b. Mar. 18, 1890.

Pearl Marjorie, b. June 6, 1893.

Harold Weeton, b. June 19, 1899.

485 Ella Luthera<sup>s</sup> Ranney (sister to Scotto Clark), b. July 14, 1866, Kirby, Vt.; m. Aug. 25, 1891, Concord, Vt., Elmer Reed, b. Jan. 1, 1865, Concord, Vt.; farmer, Meth.; res. West Concord, Vt.

*Children:*

Reginald Ranney, b. Apr. 18, 1899.

Mary Ella, b. May 29, 1905.

Muriel, b. May 29, 1905; d. June 2, 1905.

486 Mary Seymour<sup>s</sup> Clark (Rhoda Harlow<sup>r</sup> Ranney, Calvin<sup>6</sup>, Ephraim<sup>5</sup>, Ephraim<sup>4</sup>, Thomas<sup>3</sup>, Thomas<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>), b. Jan. 30, 1839, Westminster, Vt.; m. (1) Apr. 12, 1860, Algona, Ia., Geo. Perry Steele, b. Jan. 3, 1838, Saxton's River, Vt.; d. Dec., 1860, Algona, Ia.; m. (2) Mar. 13, 1866, Algona, Ia., Oscar Fitzalan Hale, b. Apr. 1, 1839, Scioto Co., O., son of Daniel Moses Hale; res. Sioux City, Ia.

*Child by 1st marriage:*

663 Georgianna Perry Steele, b. July 21, 1861; m. Geo. Stewart.

*Child by 2d marriage:*

664 Cora Ada Hale, b. Jan. 12, 1867; m. Cornelius Ihmels.

487 Henry Eugene<sup>8</sup> Ranney (Samuel<sup>7</sup>, Elijah<sup>6</sup>, Elijah<sup>5</sup>, Ephraim<sup>4</sup>, Thomas<sup>3</sup>, Thomas<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>), b. May 21, 1821, Summerhill, N. Y.; m. Aug. 3, 1843, Summerhill, N. Y., Louisa Maria Lewis, b. Mar. 25, 1824, Summerhill, and adopted, 1830, by Alfred Ranney.

When Henry Eugene was a lad of six, he caught a squirrel, and, though it bit him, he held on till his hands bled, and he still held on, saying, "No, do you think I will let it go now it has bit me." Henry, being the oldest, did a good share of the farming, as his father became engrossed in business. At sixteen he hauled most of the material for the new house, still standing on the old farm; attended Cortland Academy, taught school several years before marriage; went to house keeping on the old farm till 1872, when his wife's health failed. He prospered in real estate business, then loaned on western farm mortgages. Is active at eighty-five, a retired deacon of the Cong. Ch. Is disposing of his large property to benevolent and educational institutions, in the form of annuities, payable to his wife, during her invalid life, and to his only child. Became in youth a member of the Cong. Ch. in Summerhill, where his membership remains, while he resides with his daughter in Cortland, N. Y. Whig in early life, then Republican.; has been town supervisor and county supervisor, Supt. of Schools 1848-49, Granger, always strictly teetotaler; res. Cortland, N. Y.

*Child:*

665 Helen Louisa, b. Dec. 30, 1848; m. Martin Giles Monroe.

488 Elijah Crawford<sup>8</sup> Ranney (brother to Henry Eugene), b. June 3, 1825, Summerhill, N. Y.; m. Jan. 17, 1849, Groton, N. Y., Charlotte Elizabeth Hollister, b. Aug. 29, 1829, Groton, N. Y., dau. of Reuben Hollister and Mary Maria Andrus. Mr. Ranney had the experience of all boys on a farm, told with delight how he carried maple sap in buckets with a yoke over his shoulders, received only a common school education. At twenty he bought a 46-acre farm adjoining his father's, for which he paid \$700, leaving a small mortgage. This, by frugality and industry, he was soon able to pay, and then acquired other and larger tracts, until he became one of the most successful and prosperous farmers in that locality. He sold butter for 45 cents, wool at \$1.00, and hay at \$30. His father, at seventy-five, made his home with this son, and died in 1881. In 1882 he sold his farm, and moved to

Waseca, Minn., where he engaged in placing loans on farms. He was for many years deacon there, and superintendent of the Sunday school. He had been a generous supporter of the church, and left it \$2000. He gave \$3500 to Carleton College. On his eightieth birthday the Sunday school made him a typical present. From the beginning of the Society of Middletown Upper Houses he took a deep interest in its work, and wrote many letters with contributions to the compiler of this work. He was one of the few who have not been permitted to live to see its pages. His death occurred Aug. 2, 1906; widow res. Waseca, Minn.

*Children:*

- 666 Mary Helen, b. May 20, 1850; m. Daniel J. Shaw.  
 667 Arthur Homer, b. Jan. 28, 1854; res. Minneapolis.  
 668 Samuel Eugene, b. May 10, 1862; res. Minneapolis.

489 Ebenezer Goodhue<sup>s</sup> Ranney (brother to Henry Eugene), b. June 7, 1830, Summerhill, N. Y.; m. (1) Nov. 28, 1859, Homer, N. Y., Harriet Sophia Kinney, b. May 28, 1829, Homer, N. Y., d. May 25, 1894, Homer, N. Y., dau. of Daniel Kinney; m. (2) Aug. 15, 1895, Homer, N. Y., Carrie Belle Barker, b. June 23, 1863, New York City, dau. of Luther E. Barker and Mary E. Purple; Rep., farmer to 1890. Since 1856 engaged in western investments. Deacon Cong. Ch. since 1878. Res. Homer, N. Y. Deacon Ranney writes:

“At twenty-two years of age I began farming for myself on a poor farm in Summerhill, with a large debt on my hands. After a few years of successful farming, having extinguished my debt in 1856, I began to make a yearly trip of a few weeks for business to what was then the new wild West. For the first few years stopping in Illinois, eighty miles west of Chicago. Chicago then was a small city with plank sidewalks, and the State of Illinois the greater of it unbroken prairie. A few years later I went as far west as Owatonna, Minn., which consisted of a few little log houses and an occasional small frame building, but which now is a city of 12,000 inhabitants, with large brick business blocks and elegant homes, as well as expensive public buildings. The country had but very few settlers at that time, and the land was being given away by the government to actual settlers, where the fine farms are now, that are being sold for from \$60 to \$70 per acre. In 1890, and for several years after, I spent a few weeks yearly at Flandreau, S. D., and Redwood Falls, Minn., which were small towns, and the country around them only partially occupied, and with production very limited, where now the farms have

come to be valuable and producing abundant crops. For the past five or six years I have been at Enid, Oklahoma, and Great Falls, Montana, where I have been privileged to see the rapid growth and wonderful prosperity of those sections of new country which were entirely unknown to civilization and to white men in my early years. It seems now very strange to me, as I think of the great changes I have witnessed. The great, rich, and populous West of to-day, which constitutes so great a factor in the political and financial affairs of the nation, was as nothing in those early days."

*Child:*

Harriet Alice, b. Jan. 22, 1865; d. May 29, 1895.

490 Lydia Rebecca<sup>8</sup> Ranney (Russell<sup>7</sup>, Elijah<sup>6</sup>, Elijah<sup>5</sup>, Ephraim<sup>4</sup>, Thomas<sup>3</sup>, Thomas<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>), b. Dec. 27, 1842, Westminster West, Vt; m. Dec. 31, 1862, Westminster West, Edward Luman Campbell, b. Mar. 13, 1840, Westminster West, son of George Campbell and Adeline Diadama Wilcox; farmer, Rep.; rem. 1867 to Comstock, N. Y., where they reside. (See the Wilcox Family.)

*Children:*

Julia Ellen, b. Dec. 23, 1863; unm.

Carrie, b. Apr. 22, 1866; d. June 11, 1902.

George Russell, b. Feb. 25, 1868, Comstock, N. Y.; res. Warner City, Texas.

Mary Warner, b. July 28, 1870; res. Poultney, Vt.

Edward Preston, b. Dec. 16, 1871; d. Mar. 18, 1904.

Charles Henry, b. Jan. 24, 1876; d. Nov. 5, 1900.

Emma Louise, b. Sept. 7, 1881; unm.

491 Caroline<sup>8</sup> Ranney (Elijah Bradford<sup>7</sup>, Elijah<sup>6</sup>, Elijah<sup>5</sup>, Ephraim<sup>4</sup>, Thomas<sup>3</sup>, Thomas<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>), b. June 25, 1838, Westminster West, Vt.; m. Nov. 19, 1857, Neenah, Wis., Frederick Wallace Wheeler, b. Aug. 20, 1826, Berkshire, Vt., retired farmer, teacher, and Town Supt. of Schools, 1850-1860; Rep., Cong., then Meth.; res. since 1857, Neevah, Wis.

*Children:*

Caroline Elizabeth, b. June 13, 1859; unm.

Helen Diadama, b. Apr. 20, 1865; unm.

669 Sarah Eleanor, b. June 11, 1869; m. Bert James Brien.

492 Alfred Patterson<sup>8</sup> Ranney (Lyman Crawford<sup>7</sup>, Elijah<sup>6</sup>, Elijah<sup>5</sup>, Ephraim<sup>4</sup>, Thomas<sup>3</sup>, Thomas<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>), b. June 16,

1838, Westminster West, Vt.; m. (1) Dec. 15, 1863, Harriet Phillips, b. Oct. 27, 1843; d. May 20, 1886, dau. of Gardner Phillips and Pamela Carpenter; m. (2) June 7, 1887, Mary F. Clark, b. July 15, 1846, dau. of Fessenden Clark and Mary Hunt. Farmer until 1872, merchant until 1895, Rep., Deacon in Cong. ch., as were three ancestors in the same church. Enlisted Aug. 28, 1862. Co. B, 16th Reg. Vt. Vols., color-bearer; disc. Aug. 10, 1863, mem. of Greenwood Post G. A. R.; res. Westminster West, Vt.

493 Mary Elizabeth<sup>s</sup> Ranney (sister to Alfred Patterson), b. Feb. 16, 1846, Westminster West, Vt.; m. Mar. 8, 1866, Westminster West, Otis Franklin Buxton, b. Sept. 17, 1839, Ripton, Vt.; d. Apr. 26, 1901, Westminster West. Cong., farmer, Co. B, 16th Vermont Inf. In battle of Gettysburg. She resides Westminster West, Vt., P. O. Address, Putney, Vt.

*Children:*

670 Clara Lucy, b. Aug. 25, 1867; m. Amasa A. Fuller. Walter Franklin, b. Mar. 14, 1870; res. Putney, Vt.

494 Isabella Crawford<sup>s</sup> Ranney (sister to Alfred Patterson), b. Dec. 6, 1851, Westminster West, Vt.; m. May 12, 1874, St. Johnsbury, Vt., Charles Herbert Stevens, b. May 2, 1849, St. Johnsbury, Vt., son of James Russell Stevens and Susan Field. Wholesale lumber merchant; res. St. Johnsbury, Vt.

*Children:*

Arthur Lyman, b. July 13, 1876; res. St. Johnsbury, Vt.  
Helen Crawford, b. July 31, 1880; res. St. Johnsbury, Vt.

495 Charles Hall<sup>s</sup> Ranney (George<sup>7</sup>, Elijah<sup>6</sup>, Elijah<sup>5</sup>, Ephraim<sup>4</sup>, Thomas<sup>3</sup>, Thomas<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>), b. July 22, 1844, St. Johnsbury, Vt.; m. (1) July 27, 1870, Sarah Ann Hawkins, b. Jan. 20, 1844; d. Apr. 11, 1881, dau. of Lewis and Hannah Hawkins; m. (2) June 5, 1883, Nancy P. Bennett, b. July 1, 1837; d. Aug. 30, 1898, dau. of Calvin and Phila Bennett; m. (3) Mrs. Mary Huse Jobert, b. Jan. 21, 1847, dau. of Urenzo P. and Abia Huse Wakefield. R. R. conductor, Univ., Rep., G. A. R.; res. St. Johnsbury, Vt.

*Child:*

Etta May, b. Aug. 22, 1874; m. Beeman A. Donaldson; res. Woodfords, Me. *Children:*

Doris, b. June 16, 1899.  
Corinne, b. Apr. 27, 1900.  
Helen Ruth, b. May 26, 1904.

496 Crawford<sup>s</sup> Ranney (brother to Charles Hall), b. Feb. 2, 1848, St. Johnsbury, Vt.; m. Mar. 13, 1871, Clara E. Nichols, b. Aug. 25, 1850, dau. of J. H. and Louise P. Nichols. Rep., real estate and insurance, Deacon Cong. ch.; res. St. Johnsbury, Vt.

*Child:*

Edith Eliza, b. Sept. 21, 1874; m. July 8, 1898, C. H. Lingham; res. Newton Highlands, Mass. *Children:*  
Robert M.  
Helen C.

497 Olive Eliza<sup>s</sup> Ranney (sister to Charles Hall), b. Sept. 20, 1852, St. Johnsbury, Vt.; m. Oct. 21, 1874, Freeman Alonzo Pierce, b. May 6, 1849, St. Johnsbury, son of Abel A. Pierce and Rosetta Ayer. Mfr., Rep., Meth.; res. St. Johnsbury, Vt.

*Children:*

Ethel Rosetta, b. Aug. 18, 1877; m. July 25, 1905, Dwight C. Dun; res. Amesbury, Mass.  
George, b. Feb. 2, 1880, unm.; res. St. Johnsbury.  
Carl Freeman, b. Dec. 23, 1881; m. Aug. 16, 1903, May Stuebler; res. Greensburg, Penn.

498 Freemont<sup>s</sup> Ranney (brother to Charles Hall), b. May 15, 1856, St. Johnsbury, Vt.; m. July 3, 1877, Jane Esther Church, b. 1855, Bury, Prov. Quebec, dau. of Isaac and Maria Church. Mechanic, Rep., Cong., I. O. O. F.; res. St. Johnsbury, Vt.

*Children:*

Florence May, b. Aug. 10, 1881; unm.  
Nelson Church, b. Dec. 11, 1884; unm.

499 Sarah Jane<sup>s</sup> Ranney (sister to Charles Hall), b. July 6, 1858, St. Johnsbury, Vt.; m. Aug. 31, 1880, George Henry Morrill, b. Nov. 12, 1855, Danville, Vt., son of Mellen Morrill and Adaline Hawkins. Farmer, Rep., Cong., I. O. O. F.; res. on home farm of her father, St. Johnsbury.

500 Emma Snow<sup>s</sup> Ranney (Aretus<sup>r</sup>, Joseph<sup>6</sup>, Elijah<sup>5</sup>, Ephraim<sup>4</sup>, Thomas<sup>3</sup>, Thomas<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>), b. Mar. 10, 1840, Chittenden, Vt.; m. Jan. 11, 1872, Alanson Puffer, b. Orange, Mass., of Scotch ancestry. She was much interested in the preparation of a Ranney genealogy and rendered much assistance to the compiler. The following is a part of the obituary published at her death which occurred Apr. 21, 1905:

"The deceased was educated at Castleton Seminary, in Vermont, graduating in 1866. She began teaching when only 16 years old, and came to Malta in 1869, where she taught two years, making her home with her sister, Mrs. Matilda Holmes, whose daughter and three sons are the only surviving relatives of Mrs. Puffer, she being the last of her family.

"In the spring of 1872 Mr. and Mrs. Puffer came from Vermont to Illinois, settling on a farm in Milan township, where they resided nine years. They then removed to the farm two and one half miles north of Malta, which was their home until 1894. They then retired to the home in the village of Malta, where they have ever since resided. For many years Mrs. Puffer's aged parents had their home with her, and received her tender care during their declining years.

"She united with the Congregational church in her old Vermont home at an early age, removing her membership to the Congregational church of Malta in July, 1872.

"This brief statement covers the important facts in Mrs. Puffer's life of more than three score years, but gives no hint at the sterling nature of her character as a Christian of marked piety, devoted to the church of her choice and to the cause of Christ in all the earth; staunch in the cause of reform and uncompromising in her defense of the principles of righteousness.

"She was a woman of intelligence, wide reading and broad information. Her Bible was her constant companion, and its precepts and promises household words with her. She was a constant reader of the religious press of her own church, and always evinced a deep interest in all religious affairs.

"The church in Malta, of which she was a faithful member, was, outside of her own home and family, the dearest object of her affection. She loved it with unvarying devotion, and it owed much to her faithful service in its behalf. The vacancy which her removal occasions may never be filled, but the fruits of her prayers and labors in its behalf will long abide. The Woman's Christian Temperance Union loses a faithful and conscientious member.

"It was her lot to suffer long and grievously from the malady which terminated her earthly life, but her sufferings were borne with a patience and fortitude which could only result from an abiding faith and trust in her Savior. Earth has too few of such faithful, conscientious souls of whom it may truly be said they were faithful unto death, and have inherited a crown of life."

501 Matilda<sup>s</sup> Ranney (sister to Emma Snow), b. Oct. 18, 1841, Chittenden, Vt.; m. Sept. 23, 1861, Winslow Holmes, b. May 4,



1835, Whiting, Vt., who resided 1861-1871, in Ill.; 1871-1900, Lake City, Iowa; since then Shellrock, Iowa; farmer, Bapt., Rep. She was Bapt. and d. Oct. 9, 1889, Lake City, Ia.

*Children:*

- David Brainerd, b. June 29, 1862; m. Feb. 11, 1892, Nettie Orput, b. Feb. 12, 1869, dau. of Sylvester and Ellen Orput; res. Baker City, Oregon. *Child:*  
 Ellen Matilda, b. Oct. 23, 1897.  
 Emma Sylvia, b. Feb. 1, 1865; m. Oct. 6, 1900, Albert Jones, b. Nov. 18, 1872, farmer; res. Paha, Washington.  
 Fred Winslow, b. Aug. 13, 1871; unm.; res. Paha, Washington.  
 Mary Cleopatra, b. Oct. 30, 1873; d. Oct. 23, 1889.  
 Harvey Aretus, b. July 4, 1876; m. Feb. 15, 1900, Bertha Ralston, b. Jan. 25, 1877, dau. of Paul Ralston and Emma Geneva Thorne; res. Campbell, Iowa. *Children:*  
 Ralph Gregg, b. Dec. 15, 1900.  
 Glenn Elden, b. May 29, 1902.  
 Merle C., b. Jan. 4, 1906.

502 Priscilla Esther<sup>8</sup> Ranney (Philetus<sup>7</sup>, Joseph<sup>6</sup>, Elijah<sup>5</sup>, Ephraim<sup>4</sup>, Thomas<sup>3</sup>, Thomas<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>), b. Sept. 28, 1837, Westminster West, Vt.; d. Nov. 23, 1906, Chicago, Ill.; m. Oct. 5, 1852, Palmyra, Wis., Michael Alexander Throne, b. Jan. 21, 1821, Hanover, York Co., Pa.; d. Mar. 11, 1894, Chicago. In Palmyra, Wis., and Chicago, was mfr. of cigars and tobacco, then for twenty years a mfr. of spring beds. Private in band of 16th Regt. Wis. Vols., wounded at Shiloh, sent to hospital, then home, ill at home for a year, then disc. Was Presb. and Rep. Mrs. Throne's entire life in Chicago was passed in the house in which she died, having rendered valuable assistance to the compiler of this volume.

*Children:*

- Michael Windsor, b. Apr. 9, 1864; m. Sept. 30, 1880, Loese Voice. He d. May 26, 1885. She m. (2) William Eschbaugh.  
 Charles William, b. Nov. 27, 1861; unm.; res. Chicago, Ill.  
 Bella Mina, b. June 6, 1867, Brodhead, Wis.; m. Jan. 1, 1901, Walter Jewett Pinkerton, M. D., b. Feb. 11, 1872, Waupaca, Wis., son of Robert Pinkerton and Belda Jewett, both born in Ireland. Dr. Pinkerton is F. & A. M., and physician to Mining company, Bessemer, Mich. *Child:*

Beatrice Throne, b. Jan. 21, 1906.

Carrie Eleanor, b. July 10, 1870, Brodhead, Wis.; m. May 29, 1905, Chicago, Ill., Charles Frank Colcord, b. Sept. 21, 1867, Effingham, N. H.; Gen. Mgr. Western Live Stock Co.; Rep.; res. Chicago, Ill.

Frances Owena, b. Dec. 2, 1877, Chicago, Ill.; m. June 2, 1900, Chicago, Ill., Oscar Rudolph Dogge, b. Dec. 18, 1877, Milwaukee, Wis., son of Dr. Herman Dogge of Grandeus, Prussia. Telegraph operator; res. Chicago, Ill.

503 Selina Roxana<sup>s</sup> Ranney (sister to Priscilla Esther), b. May 4, 1840, Westminster West, Vt.; m. July 6, 1868, Brodhead, Wis., Edgar Judson Forester, b. June 18, 1834; veterinary surgeon; res. Rockton, Ill.

*Children:*

Fred J., b. Apr. 1, 1870, Charles City, Ia.; m. Jan. 3, 1896, Janesville, Wis., Susan Loveless; res. Rockton, Ill.

*Child:*

Loudy Lovetta, b. Aug. 26, 1897.

Nettie Maude, b. Feb. 13, 1872; d. Feb. 22, 1879.

Della Viola, b. Aug. 8, 1875; m. Aug. 1, 1894, Beloit, Wis., Charles A. Stevens; res. San Diego, Cal. *Children:*

Charlotte Viola, b. Sept. 10, 1895.

Lola Eveline, b. Apr. 9, 1898.

Frank Peter, b. Nov. 15, 1873; m. Aug. 15, 1898, Catherine Dean. *Children:*

Nettie Maude, b. May 17, 1899.

Harold Franklin, b. Jan. 19, 1905.

Jessie Pearl, b. Feb. 6, 1880; m. Nov. 1, 1901, Giles H. Lovesee; res. Roscoe, Ill.

504 Elsie Josephine<sup>s</sup> Ranney (sister to Priscilla Esther), b. Apr. 7, 1844, Palmyra, Wis.; m. May 8, 1868, Eli Congdon, b. Aug. 12, 1835, Washington Co., N. Y.; d. Dec. 30, 1894, Palmyra, Wis. Farmer, Rep., Meth., private Co. B, 16th Reg. Wis. Vols., Oct. 8, 1861-Dec., 1862. Taken prisoner at Shiloh, in Andersonville prison 90 days. Widow res. Palmyra, Wis.

*Children:*

Joseph H., b. Nov. 6, 1870.

Frank, b. July 22, 1873; m. Oct. 11, 1899, Olive Walker, b. Dec. 9, 1879, Oak Hill, Wis., dau. of George Washington Walker and Nancy Ann Smith. Farmer, Rep.; res. Palmyra, Wis. *Children:*

- Esther Pearl, b. May 27, 1900.  
 Ruth Hazel, b. Aug. 26, 1901.  
 Earl Franklin, b. Nov. 24, 1902.  
 William, b. Sept. 5, 1876; m. July 28, 1897, Evelyn Dutcher,  
 b. Apr. 14, 1881, Oak Hill, Wis., dau. of Theodore  
 Dutcher and Elizabeth Roe. Farmer, Rep.; res. Pal-  
 myra, Wis. *Children:*  
 Etta, b. July 28, 1898.  
 Flood, b. Apr. 13, 1899.  
 Guy, b. Apr. 13, 1901.  
 Leroy, b. July 30, 1904.

505 William Addison<sup>8</sup> Ranney (Ira Patterson<sup>7</sup>, Joseph<sup>6</sup>, Elijah<sup>5</sup>,  
 Ephraim<sup>4</sup>, Thomas<sup>3</sup>, Thomas<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>), b. Jan. 25, 1836, Sum-  
 merhill, N. Y.; m. Nov. 4, 1857, Summerhill, Harriet A. Free-  
 love, b. May 31, 1838, Locke, N. Y.; d. Dec. 12, 1890, Cortland,  
 N. Y., dau. of Bailiff Freelove. Farmer, Rep., Meth.; d. Dec.  
 31, 1897, Cortland, N. Y.

*Children:*

- 671 Alfred Clayton, b. Sept. 21, 1858.  
 672 Ira Clinton, b. Aug. 12, 1860.  
 Charles Sumner, b. Mar. 8, 1863; m. Feb. 28, 1888, Groton,  
 N. Y., Frances Irene Webster, b. Mar. 31, 1868, Groton,  
 dau. of Francis Willis Webster and Frances Jennie Hol-  
 lister. In creamery business, Rep., both Cong.; res.  
 Locke, N. Y.  
 673 William Addison, b. Mar. 22, 1871.  
 674 Mary Jeannette, b. Mar. 29, 1873.  
 Curry Arthur, b. Jan. 25, 1875; d. Apr. 28, 1902; student  
 Rutgers College.

506 Clifford Ira<sup>8</sup> Ranney (brother to William Addison), b. May  
 25, 1838, Summerhill, N. Y.; m. July 4, 1865, Summerhill, Fran-  
 ces Sophia Maltbie, b. Oct. 13, 1839, Summerhill, dau. of Daniel  
 Maltbie and Desire Howland. Farmer, Rep., Meth.; res. from  
 1866, Groton, N. Y., to his death. He d. June 17, 1878; she  
 Aug. 26, 1885.

*Children:*

- 675 Mary Emma, b. Apr. 8, 1866; m. David K. Galusha.  
 676 Joseph Austin, b. Aug. 15, 1867.  
 Susan Eleanor, b. Aug. 10, 1869; unm. Private secretary;  
 res. Cleveland, O.

Alice Mary, b. Dec. 19, 1871; unm., graduate nurse; res. Groton, N. Y.

677 Walter Daniel, b. May 14, 1875.

507 Joseph Emerson<sup>8</sup> Ranney (Rev. Timothy Emerson), b. May 9, 1849, Lee's Creek Mission, Indian Territory; m. Jan. 2, 1872, Victory, Vt., Ladorna Josephine Jones, b. Jan. 15, 1855, St. Johnsbury, Vt.; d. Mar. 22, 1879, Victory, Vt., dau. of Horace Buck Jones and Mary Randall. Farmer, Rep., Cong., I. O. O. F., P. of H.; res. St. Johnsbury Center, Vt.

*Children:*

Albert Jones, b. Jan. 31, 1873; d. Aug. 29, 1874.

Gertrude, b. Oct. 30, 1874, St. Johnsbury Center, Vt.; m. Sept. 21, 1893, Emerson Lewis Graves, b. Aug. 10, 1865, Beloit, Wis., son of Willet and Sarah (————) Graves. Rep., express business; res. Los Angeles, Cal.

Albert Lee, b. Oct. 30, 1878; d. May 7, 1903; m. Elizabeth Hicks, b. in Eng. She res. St. Albans, Vt. *Child:*  
Sarah Gertrude, b. 1900.

508 Timothy Taylor<sup>8</sup> Ranney (brother to Joseph Emerson), b. Nov. 9, 1852, Lee's Creek Mission, Indian Territory; m. Jan. 8, 1884, Claremont, N. H., Abbie Ethena Densmore, b. Apr. 26, 1856, Claremont, N. H., dau. of Jonathan Densmore and Clarissa S. Dustin. Mr. Ranney's parents came East in 1861, running the border gauntlet, overtaken first by Southern sympathizers, and then by Northern, several times questioned by each. Mr. Ranney was educated at West Charlestown and St. Johnsbury, Vt.; in business, 1870-83, in Claremont; 1883-89 in Montpelier, Vt.; 1889-98 in Springfield, Vt.; 1898 till now in business in Montpelier. Rep., Meth., I. O. O. F.

*Child:*

Clarence Raymond, b. July 2, 1886, Montpelier, Vt.; grad. High School, 1904; 1907 student in Eng. Dept. Uni. Vt., Burlington, Vt.

509 Albert Barnes<sup>8</sup> Ranney (Rev. Joseph Addison<sup>7</sup>, Joseph<sup>6</sup>, Elijah<sup>5</sup>, Ephraim<sup>4</sup>, Thomas<sup>3</sup>, Thomas<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>), b. Oct. 31, 1844, Carlinville, Ill.; m. Nov. 21, 1867, Three Rivers, Mich., Theresa Althea Hicks, b. Sept. 5, 1848, N. York; d. Nov. 24, 1894, Anthony, Kan.; mem. Cong. ch. Mr. Ranney was a grocery merchant. Enlisted 1861, 19th Reg., Mich. Vol.; was in Sherman's

March to the Sea. Rep., mem. Cong. ch, postmaster at Three Rivers, Mich., under Pres. Grant. Died Dec. 16, 1904, Arkansas City, Kan.

*Children:*

- 677a Kate Hicks, b. Aug. 22, 1868; m. Dr. C. E. Bowen.  
 Joseph Herbert, b. Feb. 16, 1875; m. Aug. 3, 1898, Ella  
 Piera Britton; res. Arkansas City, Kan.  
 Ray Palmer, b. Nov. 25, 1877; unm.  
 Mary Rosalind, b. July 14, 1881, unm., Anthony, Kan.

510 Joseph Addison<sup>8</sup> Ranney (brother to Albert Barnes), b. Oct. 12, 1847, Godfrey, Ill.; m. May 18, 1871, Three Rivers, Mich., Ella Electa Hutchinson, b. Nov. 21, 1850, Frederickton, O., dau. of James Hutchinson. Wholesale merchant, Rep., Presby.; res. Arkansas City, Kan.

*Children:*

- Flora Maud, b. Sept. 28, 1872; m. Apr. 6, 1904, Royal King Starkweather, b. Sept. 28, 1877, Northville, Mich. Rep., hotel mgr.; res. Arkansas City, Kan.  
 Lotta Agnes, b. Mar. 12, 1876; m. Nov. 6, 1901, Heber Bingham Mize, b. Mar. 26, 1876, Atchison, Kan.; res. same.

*Children:*

- Elizabeth Ranney, b. Aug. 29, 1902.  
 Caroline, b. Nov. 15, 1903.  
 Walter Roy, b. May 19, 1879; m. Mar. 31, 1906, Arkansas City, Kan., Elizabeth Meade, b. Nov. 9, 1882, Topeka, Kan., dau. of John Mackay Meade and Emily Jane Ward. *Child:*  
 Joseph Addison, b. May 13, 1907.  
 Helen Mabel, b. Jan. 1, 1889.

511 Joseph Preston<sup>8</sup> Ranney (Joel Arnold<sup>7</sup>, Joseph<sup>6</sup>, Elijah<sup>5</sup>, Ephraim<sup>4</sup>, Thomas<sup>3</sup>, Thomas<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>), b. July 8, 1855, Westminster West, Vt.; m. Dec. 9, 1879, Putney, Vt., Augusta Fannie Parker, b. Jan. 7, 1861, dau. of George Putnam Parker and Fanny Whiting Richardson. Farmer, Rep., Cong.; res. Putney, Vt.

*Children:*

- Clara Belle, b. Jan. 7, 1881; m. Dec. 9, 1902, Walter Merrill Atcherson, b. Mar. 31, 1877; machinist, Rep., Meth., K. of P., M. W. of A., K. of M.; res. Claremont, N. H. *Children:*  
 Myrtle Evelyn, b. Sept. 8, 1904.

Hazel Clare, b. Sept. 8, 1904.  
 Emilie Florence, b. Nov. 10, 1905.  
 Ella Frances, b. July 17, 1883; m. Jan. 14, 1904, Harry  
 Foster Nelson, b. July 20, 1879, Craftsbury, Vt. Rep.,  
 Cong., railway postal clerk; res. Brattleboro, Vt. *Child*:  
 Harold Raymond, b. Dec. 4, 1905.  
 Blanche Taft, b. Sept. 15, 1884.  
 Henry Parker, b. Dec. 30, 1891.

512 Mary Alice<sup>8</sup> Ranney (sister to Joseph Preston), b. Mar.  
 28, 1858, Westminster West, Vt.; m. Mar. 4, 1879, Springfield,  
 Mass., William H. Dickinson; res. Putney, Vt.

*Child:*

Lewis Taft, b. Dec. 15, 1879; d. Nov. 12, 1881.

513 George Arthur<sup>8</sup> Ranney (brother to Joseph Preston), b.  
 July 7, 1860; m. Dec. 6, 1881, Brattleboro, Vt., Stella Melvina  
 Stoddard, b. Oct. 31, 1850, Chesterfield, N. H., dau. of David  
 Leverett Stoddard and Harriet Melvina Walton. Farmer, Univ.;  
 d. Feb. 15, 1890. Widow res. Westminster West, Vt.

*Children:*

Louis Austin, b. May 26, 1883; unm.  
 Leslie Walton, b. Jan. 21, 1886; unm.  
 Elizabeth Marion, b. May 6, 1888.

514 Sallie Avery<sup>8</sup> Ranney (Roswell<sup>7</sup>, Daniel<sup>6</sup>, Daniel<sup>5</sup>,  
 Ephraim<sup>4</sup>, Thomas<sup>3</sup>, Thomas<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>), b. Oct. 20, 1834, Pitts-  
 field, Vt.; d. Sept. 30, 1870; m. Feb. 28, 1856, Jasper H. Pinney,  
 b. Aug. 20, 1828, Pittsfield, who resides Woodstock, Vt.

*Children:*

Eldula A., b. Sept. 5, 1864; m. July 7, 1883, Galen R.  
 Edson; res. Rutland, Mass. *Children*:  
 Leon Edward, b. June 7, 1884.  
 William Ranney, b. Mar. 13, 1890.  
 Chloe May, b. May 8, 1867; m. Aug. 16, 1885, Dr. W. E.  
 Chamberlain; res. West Boylston, Mass. *Child*:  
 Lina Louisa, b. Sept. 19, 1887.

515 Emeline Amelia<sup>8</sup> Ranney (Daniel Holland<sup>7</sup>, Daniel<sup>6</sup>,  
 Daniel<sup>5</sup>, Ephraim<sup>4</sup>, Thomas<sup>3</sup>, Thomas<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>), b. May 13, 1838,  
 Stockbridge, Vt.; m. May 25, 1862, Elkhorn, Wis., Spencer Solo-

mon Steele, b. June 13, 1834, Madrid, N. Y. Mechanic, Meth.; res. Beloit, Wis.

*Children:*

Clara Justina, b. July 6, 1864; m. Aug. 1, 1906, Francis M. Woodard, b. May 26, 1863. Lawyer; res. Fredonia, Kan.

Atley George, b. July 23, 1866; d. Feb. 4, 1869.

Everett Ranney, b. June 28, 1868.

Nellie Bridge, b. Dec. 23, 1871; m. Sept. 19, 1897, James Bowers; res. Whitewater, Wis.

Olive Hamilton, b. Nov. 27, 1880; m. Apr. 28, 1906, Howard Dickinson Wheeler, b. Sept. 29, 1884, son of Frank O. and Florence Dickinson Wheeler of Antigo, Wis.; res. Beloit, Wis.

516 Justina Belcher<sup>s</sup> Ranney (sister to Emeline Amelia), b. Apr. 17, 1840, Norfolk, N. Y.; d. Mar. 20, 1885, Denver, Col.; m. Aug. 25, 1862, Elkhorn, Wis., Rev. George Richardson, b. July 21, 1838, Northfield, Vt. Banker, retired Meth. clergyman, since 1871, on acct. of ill health; res. Denver, Col.

*Children:*

Elbert George, b. Jan. 8, 1864; res. Victory, Col.

Mary Emma, b. May 17, 1867; d. Aug. 28, 1867.

Clarence Marshall, b. Sept. 2, 1868; d. June 23, 1870.

678 Fred Ranney, b. Apr. 16, 1871.

Frank Lee, b. Aug. 28, 1874; res. Chicago, Ill.

Alice Nellie, b. Dec. 21, 1876; unm.; res. Denver, Col.

George, b. Aug. 8, 1879; res. Victory, Col.

517 Nellie<sup>s</sup> Ranney (sister to Emeline Amelia), b. June 25, 1851, Norfolk, N. Y.; m. Jan. 19, 1871, William Harrison Bridge, b. July 16, 1844, Koshkonong, Wis., son of Scotch Presbyterians who came in 1843 to the U. S. Engaged in milling flour and cereals, Rep., Cong., A. O. U. W. Mrs. Bridge was a school teacher; res. Norfolk, Neb.

*Children:*

Mary Justine, b. Apr. 12, 1875.

William G., b. Oct. 13, 1877; d. while Junior at Univ. of Neb., Dec. 29, 1896.

Ernest Lee, b. Nov. 7, 1882, grad. 1904, Univ. Neb.

John Warren, b. Mar. 25, 1884, student at Oberlin Coll.

518 Levi Marble<sup>s</sup> Ranney (brother to Emeline Amelia), b. Feb.

20, 1855, Elkhorn, Wis.; m. Mar. 14, 1878, Koshkonong, Wis., Kate De Ette Buell, b. June 25, 1854, Koshkonong, Wis., dau. of Carlos Pembroke Buell and Mary Jane Persons. Farmer, Rep., M. E. ch., E. F. W.; res. Fort Atkinson, Wis.

*Children:*

Ethel Sawyer, b. May 7, 1879; m. Aug. 2, 1906, Dr. Ralph H. Parker; res. Storm Lake, Iowa.  
Helen, b. Jan. 21, 1890.

519 Aurelia Lucinda<sup>8</sup> Ranney (Silas<sup>7</sup>, Daniel<sup>6</sup>, Daniel<sup>5</sup>, Ephraim<sup>4</sup>, Thomas<sup>3</sup>, Thomas<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>), b. Mar. 19, 1837, Stockbridge, Vt.; m. Nov. 20, 1859, Elkhorn, Wis., Jonathan Allen, b. Aug. 27, 1831, Stockbridge, Vt., son of Jonathan Nye Allen and Eunice Twitchell. He d. Oct. 9, 1865, Elkhorn, Wis. She d. June 21, 1871, New Hartford, Ia.

*Child:*

Judson Lafayette, b. Oct. 5, 1863; res. Iowa Falls, Ia.

520 Fayette Silas<sup>8</sup> Ranney (brother to Aurelia Lucinda), b. Feb. 28, 1844, Stockbridge, Vt.; m. Oct. 16, 1866, Walworth Co., Wis., Annabell Pollock, b. Jan. 19, 1845, Walworth Co., Wis., dau. of Thomas Pollock and Susanna Manderson. She is Presb., life mem. For. Miss. Soc. Mr. Ranney is a retired farmer; rem. to Walworth Co., Wis., 1868, to Grundy Co., Ia., 1883. Enl. Aug. 21, 1862, private Co. I, 28th Reg. Wis. Vol. Inf. Wounded at Pine Bluff, Ark., in battles at Hickmann, Tenn.; Fort Pemberton, Miss.; Helena, Ark.; Little Rock, Ark.; Warren, Ark.; Pine Bluff, Ark.; Spanish Forts and Fort Bleakly, Ala. Disc. at exp. term, Brownsville, Texas; Rep., Presby. ch., G. A. R.; res. Storm Lake, Iowa.

*Children:*

679 Susan Manderson, b. Oct. 12, 1867; m. Banks M. Smith.  
680 Fred Fayette, b. Mar. 14, 1870.  
681 Belle Maud, b. Mar. 14, 1877; m. Robert Bleakly.  
Thomas Pollock, b. Nov. 17, 1881; grad. Storm Lake H. S.; two years at Iowa State College; grad. North-Western Univ. Med. Coll., 1905; Intern at St. Luke's Hosp., Chicago.

521 Martha Vandora<sup>8</sup> Ranney (sister to Aurelia Lucinda), b. Feb. 26, 1846, Stockbridge, Vt.; m. Feb. 24, 1864, Lafayette, Wis., Thomas James Pollock, b. June 26, 1842, Lafayette, Wis., private



Co. I, 28th Reg. Wis. Vols.; Rep., Cong., F. & A. M.; res. Zearing, Iowa.

*Children:*

- 681a Wallace Adelbert, b. Aug. 4, 1865; m.—. Res. Clemens, Ia.  
 Thomas Elmer, b. July 15, 1868. Res. Flagstaff, Ariz.  
 Robert Ranney, b. May 13, 1870. Res. Albuquerque, New Mexico.  
 George V., b. Dec. 5, 1872; d. Oct. 29, 1899.  
 Luella V., b. Dec. 5, 1877; d. Dec. 8, 1880.

522 Daniel Leroy<sup>s</sup> Ranney (brother to Aurelia Lucinda), b. Aug. 15, 1849, Stockbridge, Vt.; m. (1) Mar., 1870, Elkhorn, Wis., Jeannette Young, b. Sept. 2, 1850; d. June 9, 1889, New Hartford, Ia., dau. of John and Lucinda Young; m. (2) May 2, 1896, New Hartford, America Kennison. He is a retired farmer, Rep., F. & A. M., O. E. S.; res. New Hartford, Ia.

*Children:*

- Effie Luella, b. Sept. 13, 1875; m. Sept. 29, 1897, Doyle Hurlbut, son of Enoch Elijah Hurlbut; res. New Hartford, Ia. *Children:*  
 Dallas Lee, b. Aug. 9, 1898.  
 Evelyn Jeannette, b. Dec. 19, 1906.  
 Leroy, b. Dec. 6, 1882; m. Nov., 1905, Katie Pease; clerk, Meth., Rep., F. & A. M., O. E. S.; res. New Hartford, Ia.

523 Wallace Austin<sup>s</sup> Ranney (brother to Aurelia Lucinda), b. Aug. 4, 1853, Walworth Co., Ia.; m. Mar. 30, 1872, Grundy Co., Ia., Adelaide Eliza Clayton, b. 1856, Fayette Co., Ia., dau. of Windsor Darling Clayton and Martha Jane Moore. Farmer, Rep., Pres. School Board. Res. New Hartford, Ia.

*Children:*

- 681b Justin Austin, b. May 21, 1873.  
 681c Amos Moore, b. Aug. 31, 1874.  
 Forest Clifton, b. Feb. 18, 1877; d. 1897.  
 Frank Ellsworth, b. Oct. 24, 1882. At 17 he began to learn the carpenter's trade. In 1903 took special course in civil engineering and obtained a theoretical knowledge of building the higher types of buildings. In 1905 rem. to Regina, Can., and practiced his art. In June, 1904, rem. to Seattle, Wash.; m. Aug. 1, 1906, Alice Aitken, b. June 14, 1886, Rosetta, Ontario, dau. of William Aitken. Rep. Res. Seattle, Wash.

Leo, b. Aug. 26, 1884; grad. Normal School; Prin. 1905-6, Woodard, Ore., 1906-7, Seattle, Wash. Meth., Rep. Res. Seattle, Wash.

Winslow Clayton, b. May 18, 1886. Res. Lesser Slave Lake, Canada.

Wilbur Taylor, b. Apr. 27, 1890. Res. at home.

524 Geraldine Calista<sup>8</sup> Ranney (Reuben<sup>7</sup>, Daniel<sup>6</sup>, Daniel<sup>5</sup>, Ephraim<sup>4</sup>, Thomas<sup>3</sup>, Thomas<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>), b. Nov. 25, 1836, Pittsfield, Vt.; m. Mar. 8, 1862, Elkhorn, Wis.; James Zephaniah Short, b. May 21, 1838, Cooperstown, N. Y.; d. Mar. 31, 1882, Glyndon, Minn. Town treasurer, farmer, Rep., Meth. Enlisted Aug., 1862, as private Co. I, 28th Wis. Vols. In battles of Helena, Mt. Elby, Zazoo Pass, siege of Spanish fort in Mobile campaign; mustered out Aug. 23, 1865, Brownsville, Texas. Rec'd pay and final disc. Sept. 23, 1865. She d. May 24, 1903, Elkhorn, Wis.

*Children:*

Loren Judson, b. Dec. 22, 1862; d. June 9, 1884.

Ada May, b. Oct. 31, 1866; d. June 28, 1874.

682 Rena Dell, b. Feb. 16, 1868; m. G. Q. Dunlop.

683 George Ranney, b. Nov. 17, 1869.

684 Ernest Alden, b. Feb. 20, 1871.

685 Frank James, b. June 20, 1873.

Lucia Annette, b. Mar. 31, 1875; d. Feb. 17, 1894.

Luella, b. Nov. 4, 1876; d. Nov. 8, 1899.

Adelaide, b. Jan. 31, 1878; d. June 6, 1895.

524a Lucia Ann Ranney<sup>8</sup> (sister to Geraldine Calista), b. Sept. 26, 1840, Pittsfield, Vt.; m. Sept. 18, 1895, Elkhorn, Wis., Isaac A. Travis, b. May 22, 1849, Elba, N. Y. Apiarian and mechanic, Rep., M. E. ch.; res. Elkhorn, Wis.

525 Milo Bingham<sup>8</sup> Ranney (brother to Geraldine Calista), b. Sept. 9, 1850, Pittsfield, Vt.; m. Adelaide Wylie, b. May 12, 1856, Elkhorn, Wis., dau. of Calvin Hemstead Wylie and Nancy Badger Bell. Farmer and mgr. creamery. Town clerk fourteen years, mem. County and Town school boards, Rep., M. E. ch. Died suddenly May 10, 1904, Milwaukee, where he was for treatment. The widow res. at Elkhorn, Wis.

"Mr. Ranney was one of the solid men of Walworth county. True to the ideas of his New England ancestry, he was a man of the strictest integrity, of strong and unflagging purpose and with a public spirit which easily gave his forceful life a leadership in

the community. The unbroken success of the Bowers Creamery was due, not simply to his thrifty and vigorous management, but to the unqualified confidence he enjoyed with all the farmers round about. He had no interest in speculative ventures. His upright soul recoiled from any scheme which proposed any other than a legitimate return from honest work, well done.

“Mr. Ranney was also proof against the appeals of cheap politics. He never could be a party to the little deals and trades so common among the small souls that make up the political workers in every community. While he held office in the town and county, it was always because he was the best man for the place. In all these offices he was easily the model official, after which all others might take their pattern. At the very time of his death and entirely without his knowledge he was being discussed as the most desirable candidate for Assemblyman to the next Legislature. The office always sought the man and not the man the office. His taking away is felt to be a most untimely one by many all over the county, who only know him by reputation; but who feel the need of such forceful upright men to fight the battles of the people against the usurpation of privileged classes and the treachery of corrupt politicians. More than any other man in this region he verified the saying that, ‘An honest man is the noblest work of God.’

“Mr. Ranney was a deeply religious man. For years a member of the Methodist church at Spring Prairie, he was also its leading official and main support. His steadfast purpose and consistent example will be sadly missed by his fellow Christians among whom he had lived and served for so many years. But his life has for years given to the community the illustration of the possibilities of true Christian manhood and so will continue to bear fruit long after his personal acquaintance shall have passed away. ‘Blessed are the dead that die in the Lord: Yea, saith the Spirit, they do rest from their labors and their works do follow them.’” From the *Lake Geneva News* of May 19, 1904.

*Child:*

Perry Calvin Ranney, b. Mar. 26, 1881, Elkhorn, Wis.; grad. Uni. of Wis.; succeeded to his father's business; unm.; res. Elkhorn, Wis.

526 Reuben Waldo<sup>8</sup> Ranney (brother to Geraldine Calista), b. May 14, 1855, Pittsfield, Vt.; m. July 17, 1878, Spring Prairie, Wis., Luella Harmon Foote, b. Dec. 13, 1855, Spring Prairie, Wis., dau. of Mark H. Foote. Was grain dealer in Duluth, Glyn-

don, Moorhead and Foxhome, Minn. He was a strong and popular man in his community and always concerned in the betterment and welfare of the people; mem. of Mason, Woodman, Maccabee orders. Died Feb. 23, 1905. Widow resides at Foxhome, Minn. No children.

527 Harris Guernsey<sup>s</sup> Ranney (Jonathan Holland<sup>r</sup>, Daniel<sup>s</sup>, Daniel<sup>s</sup>, Ephraim<sup>4</sup>, Thomas<sup>3</sup>, Thomas<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>), b. Nov. 30, 1850, Pittsfield, Vt.; m. July 5, 1870, Manchester, N. H., Caroline May Gibbs, b. May 1, 1851, Pittsfield, Vt., dau. of Lyman Gibbs and Parthenia Elvira Higgins. Liveryman, Rep., F. & A. M., I. O. O. F., both Methodists; res. Pittsfield, Vt.

*Children:*

Nellie, b. Feb. 4, 1872; d. Apr. 7, 1874.  
 Charles Gibbs, b. Apr. 15, 1874; d. Apr. 15, 1874.  
 686 Josephine Axtell, b. May 7, 1875; m. Geo. W. Spaulding.  
 Lucy Inez, b. Apr. 22, 1878.  
 Izah Daisy, b. June 10, 1881.  
 Achsah Irene, b. Apr. 20, 1884; m. Fred A. Edmunds.  
 Jonathan Harris, b. July 23, 1886.  
 Zilpah May, b. May 1, 1890.

528 Harley Austin<sup>s</sup> Ranney (brother to Harris Guernsey), b. Sept. 22, 1857, Pittsfield, Vt.; m. June 21, 1898, Covington, Ky., Myra Parker Spalding, b. Oct. 10, 1868, Louisville, Ky., dau. of William Davis Spalding and Mellie Parker. Episcopal. Mr. Ranney is a retired merchant, Rep., K. of P.; res. Newton, N. H.

530 Fred Lincoln<sup>s</sup> Ranney (brother to Harris Guernsey), b. May 8, 1865, Pittsfield, Vt.; m. Dec. 29, 1886, Pittsfield, Vt., Lillian Austin, b. Dec. 31, 1868, Hinesburg, Vt., dau. of John H. Austin and Sarah P. Hayes. Farmer; res. Pittsfield, Vt.

*Children:*

Grace I., b. July 12, 1888.  
 Lora Mildred, b. Oct. 5, 1890.

531 Frederick Augustus<sup>s</sup> Luther (Lucy Holland<sup>r</sup>, Mary Ranney<sup>s</sup>, Daniel<sup>s</sup>, Ephraim<sup>4</sup>, Thomas<sup>3</sup>, Thomas<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>), b. Mar. 28, 1855, Wilmington, Ill.; m. Sept. 8, 1877, Wilmington, Ill., Mary Elizabeth Thomas, b. Jan. 10, 1856, Yorkshire, Eng., dau. of Henry Thomas and Mary Lister. Farmer, town officer, Prohib., New Jerusalem ch.; res. Wilmington, Ill.

*Children:*

Charles Julius, b. Apr. 4, 1879, Wilmington, Ill.; m. Jan. 8, 1901, Urbana, Ohio, Blanche Magrew, b. Oct. 8, 1878, Westville, O., dau. of Lemuel Worden Magrew and Mary Harwood. Farmer; Prohib., New Jerusalem ch., K. of P.; res. Wilmington, Ill.  
John Henry, b. June 18, 1884.

532 Frances Lilla<sup>s</sup> Ranney (Joel Alden<sup>7</sup>, Joel<sup>6</sup>, Daniel<sup>5</sup>, Ephraim<sup>4</sup>, Thomas<sup>3</sup>, Thomas<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>), b. Oct. 23, 1859, Metamora, Ill.; m. Oct. 23, 1884, Metamora, Ill., Dr. Willis A. Mansfield, M. D.; res. Normal, Ill.

*Children:*

Esther Josephine, b. Aug. 17, 1886.  
Mary Augusta, b. June 15, 1891; d. May 7, 1903.

533 Mark Joel<sup>s</sup> Ranney (brother to Frances Lilla), b. Feb. 23, 1867, Metamora, Ill.; m. Aug. 30, 1894, Metamora, Ill., Lillie May Parmenter, b. Apr. 14, 1870, Metamora, Ill., dau. of John Parmenter and Harriet Earl. Farmer, stock raiser and shipper, Rep., Cong., M. W. of A., Royal Neighbors of A. She is mem. Royal Neighbors of America. P. O. address, Cazenovia, Ill.

*Children:*

Joel Alden, b. July 21, 1895.  
Willard Parmenter, b. Mar. 12, 1897.  
Leland Mark, b. Nov. 23, 1898.  
Rachel May, b. Sept. 16, 1900; d. Nov. 17, 1903.  
Ralph Richard, b. May 4, 1902.  
Edna Josephine, b. Dec. 12, 1903.

534 Justin Morse<sup>s</sup> Ranney (brother to Frances Lilla), b. June 29, 1876, Cazenovia, Ill.; m. Oct. 17, 1900, Naperville, Ill., Mary Eva Bohlander, b. Apr. 15, 1879, Cazenovia, Ill., dau. of John Bohlander and Anna Mary Wagner. Teacher formerly, now stock raiser and farmer, Rep., Cong., M. W. of A., R. N. of A.; res. Weeping Water, Neb.

*Children:*

Glen Alden, b. Aug. 10, 1901.  
Lloyd John, b. Jan. 3, 1903.  
Eva Elsie, b. Feb. 20, 1904; d. Apr. 29, 1904.  
Ruth Esther, b. July 20, 1905.

535 Elizabeth Sybil<sup>8</sup> Ranney (Rev. Darwin Harlow<sup>7</sup>, Waitstill Randolph<sup>6</sup>, Waitstill<sup>5</sup>, Ephraim<sup>4</sup>, Thomas<sup>3</sup>, Thomas<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>), b. Dec. 3, 1837, Claremont, N. H.; d. Jan. 23, 1902, Medfield, Mass.; m. Jan. 15, 1862, Dr. John Henry<sup>8</sup> Richardson, b. Mar. 3, 1828, Brattleboro, Vt.; d. July 21, 1902, Brattleboro, Vt. (Isaiah<sup>7</sup>, Isaiah<sup>6</sup>, Samuel<sup>5</sup>, Nathan<sup>4</sup>, John<sup>3</sup>, John<sup>2</sup>, John<sup>1</sup> of Watertown).

Dr. Richardson was seventy-four years of age at the time of his decease, and had resided in Medfield constantly since 1866. Early in life he conceived a liking for the work of the medical profession, and leaving his father's farm in Vermont, he started out with limited means hoping to make his way through a course of professional study. For a few years he taught in the common schools of New England, and then entered the medical department of the University of the City of New York. From that institution he was graduated in 1854, receiving the degree of M. D. Very soon after graduating he settled down to the work of his profession in Chesterfield, Mass. There he remained until the breaking out of the Civil War, when he enlisted as surgeon in the 52d Massachusetts Regiment of Volunteers. He went with his regiment to Louisiana and there in the region of Baton Rouge and Port Hudson did loyal and self-sacrificing service for his country. His skill in practice and his sympathetic care of the sick and wounded gained for him the respect and friendship of all his comrades. They saw more than once a sick or wounded soldier coming in on Dr. Richardson's horse, while the doctor himself followed on foot through the mud or in the heat. His toil and self-denial for the men was constant, cheerful and generous, as is testified to by the surviving members of his regiment.

Only a short time before enlisting he had married Miss Elizabeth S. Ranney, daughter of Rev. D. H. Ranney of Brattleboro, Vermont, and in a few months after the close of the war Dr. and Mrs. Richardson came to Medfield where they bought a house and made their home for the rest of life. Mrs. Richardson died January 23, 1902. About five months later Dr. Richardson went to his native town, Brattleboro, Vermont, and there, after visiting relatives and friends, his life peacefully closed on the date mentioned at the beginning of this brief memoir.

Dr. Richardson's thirty-six years in Medfield have been of the most kindly, helpful and exemplary character. He was indeed, as some of his townsmen have well said, "the beloved physician." Kind, skillful, sympathetic, prompt and untiring in labors, he became everyone's friend and the personal benefactor of many.

"None knew him but to love him.  
None named him but to praise."

Mrs. Richardson was public spirited, and possessed a rare degree of executive ability, enabling her to plan, and carry through successfully, enterprises enlisting many workers, and which would have fitted her to fill almost any position of trust and responsibility. Combined with this was a capacity for the closest attention to minute details, which could be satisfied with nothing short of perfection in any line of work.

She took an active interest in her husband's profession—both from a scientific and an humanitarian standpoint. The office of a physician must often take the place of an emergency hospital; and aid may be needed promptly when the doctor himself is attending some patient at a distance. In such event the wounded one found the steady nerve and skillful hand of our friend at his service.

Often too did the dainties from her generous hand supplement the physician's remedies, and help to hasten recovery.

Especially did the ills of little children appeal to her, and of these she seemed to have an almost intuitive understanding. More than one mother has blessed her for hours spent beside the couch of a little sufferer, administering to its needs with the tenderness born of a mother's heart, and the success of a trained mind and hand.

But it was in her home that she especially shone, and only those who knew her intimately there could fully appreciate her character. Charming and brilliant as a hostess—capable in all departments of household art—the description of the wise woman in Proverbs might well be applied to her. But all this might have been without the tender devotion to husband and children, the unremitting thoughtfulness and constant ingenious planning for their happiness and their very least interests.

The wealth of affection lavished on her home only its inmates could fully know. (Contributed at time of her death.)

*Children:*

George Henry, b. Dec. 26, 1862; d. Aug. 18, 1863.

Annie Wilson, b. Sept. 20, 1864; d. Mar. 4, 1870.

Ada Maria, b. Sept. 9, 1866; d. Apr. 30, 1886.

John Mack, b. Feb. 1, 1870.

William Ranney, b. May 19, 1874; d. Nov. 12, 1898.

John Mack Richardson, after passing through the Medfield schools, attended the Sawin Academy, Sherborn, Mass., for an advanced course, then Bryant and Stratton's Commercial College, Boston. Was clerk in the office of Searle, Dailey & Co.'s Hat Factory, Medfield; salesman, 1891-1902, in Joel Goldthwait &

Co.'s carpet store, Boston. Is now in same line of business in So. Framingham. For twelve years was a commissioned officer in Col. E. V. Mitchell Sons of Veteran Camp, of which for three years he was captain. Treas. of Medfield Board of Trade; member of Medfield Hist. Soc., I. O. O. F. In the Unitarian church is Pres. of the Haywood Guild, Supt. of S. S., Auditor of Society, etc. A member of the quartette for ten years. Mr. Richardson has taken much pride in his ancestry as is evidenced by the portraits, etc., of his clan.

536 Darwin Evander<sup>s</sup> Ranney (brother to Elizabeth Sybil), b. Sept. 27, 1844, Dover, Vt.; m. Mar. 23, 1870, Cambridge, Mass., Lizzie Ammidon Liscom, b. Mar. 23, 1847, Boston, Mass., dau. of John Liscom and Eliza Ellis Ammidon. Was member of a firm of Boston merchants, d. Apr. 30, 1897. Darwin Evander Ranney was a constant attendant at Congregational church although not a member. He was never a clubman, being devoted to his home and family. A bright, popular business man, kind, charitable and successful. He crossed the ocean on business every year for eighteen years. Died suddenly of appendicitis, at the age of fifty-three, lamented by a large circle of friends, as a man of unusual honor and uprightness. Widow res. Cambridge, Mass.

*Children:*

Edwin Darwin, b. July 21, 1872; unm.

Edith Angie, b. Apr. 18, 1874; d. June 1, 1875.

Richard Garfield, b. Sept. 28, 1881; d. same day.

Ivy Marguerite, b. July 25, 1886; unm.

536a Mary Jane<sup>s</sup> Ranney (sister to Elizabeth Sybil), b. Oct. 18, 1846, Wilmington, Vt.; m. ————, 1878, N. Y. City, Noel Winter, b. 1836, Grantham, Lincolnshire, Eng.; d. Dec., 1903, N. Y. City. She died Apr., 1893, N. Y. City.

*Children:*

Darwin Carter, b. 1879; d. infancy.

Mabel, b. Jan. 14, 1881.

Henry Ranney, b. July 12, 1884.

537 Eliza Jane<sup>s</sup> Gray (Stella Laurenza<sup>7</sup> Ranney, Waitstill Randolph<sup>6</sup>, Waitstill<sup>5</sup>, Ephraim<sup>4</sup>, Thomas<sup>3</sup>, Thomas<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>), b. Aug. 20, 1842, Townshend, Vt.; m. Apr. 2, 1863, John Glover Broughton, b. Mar. 28, 1835, Marblehead, Mass.; d. Feb. 14, 1894, Bloomfield, Mass., son of Nicholson and Nancy Broughton. He



rem. to Boston in 1848, where he resided until 1861, then rem. to New York, where he was in the book business till death. The widow is mem. Presby. church and resides in Bloomfield, N. J.

*Children:*

- Stella Gray, b. Jan. 25, 1865; d. Sept. 26, 1865.  
 William Robert, b. Nov. 3, 1866; m. Oct. 20, 1897, Jennie Britton Morris, b. Aug. 5, 1863, Bloomfield, N. J., dau. of Joseph Crowell Morris and Mary Elizabeth Walker. Physician, N. Y. City; res. Bloomfield, N. J. *Child:*  
 Ruth Morris, b. Sept. 17, 1902.  
 John Glover, b. Jan. 6, 1869; unm.; res. Bloomfield, N. J.  
 Fanny Gray, b. Dec. 20, 1870; m. Apr. 28, 1904, John Francis Collerd, b. May 24, 1873, Rutherford, N. J. Rep., Presby., F. & A. M.; res. Rutherford, N. J.

538 Victoria Janette<sup>8</sup> Ranney (Alfred Atwood<sup>7</sup>, Waitstill Randolph<sup>6</sup>, Waitstill<sup>5</sup>, Ephraim<sup>4</sup>, Thomas<sup>3</sup>, Thomas<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>), b. Nov. 24, 1839, West Townshend, Vt.; m. May 30, 1865, Lyman Benham Bunnell, b. Aug. 18, 1832, Burlington, Conn.; d. Mar. 18, 1902, New York City. His early life was passed on the farm, grad., 1860, Yale; also Yale Law School; lawyer New York City, Presby. Mrs. Bunnell is Presby., much interested in church work; res. New York City.

*Children:*

- 687 Alfred Ranney, b. Oct. 5, 1867.  
 688 Walter Lyman, b. Mar. 10, 1871.  
 689 Jennie Louise, b. Jan. 1, 1873; m. George T. Pettingill.

539 Stella Eliza<sup>8</sup> Ranney (sister to Victoria Janette), b. May 8, 1841, West Townshend, Vt.; m. Aug. 29, 1865, West Townshend, Vt., Rev. Joseph Allen Leach, b. Apr. 15, 1836, Saxton's River, Vt., son of Joseph Allen Leach. Grad., 1861, Amherst Coll. and Andover Theo. Sem.; chaplain 19th U. S. C. Y. on Staff Gen. H. G. Thomas. Disc. July 24, 1865. Installed pastor, Aug. 16, 1866, Saxton's River, Vt.; died, pastor, May 12, 1906. Adopted her nephew, Alfred Theodore Buckingham.

540 Martha Columbia<sup>8</sup> Ranney (sister to Victoria Janette), b. Sept. 13, 1842, West Townshend, Vt.; m. May 30, 1865, West Townshend, Vt., Russell Fisk, b. Mar. 22, 1827. Merchant; 2d Lieut. Co. F, 10th Reg. Vt. Vols., 1862—June, 1865; Rep., Unit., G. A. R., Ft. Collins, Col. Mrs. Fisk is mem. W. R. C., Ft. Collins; Uni.; res. Fort Collins, Col.

*Children:*

- 690 Stella Evangeline, b. Apr. 2, 1868; m. A. C. Forester.  
James Ranney, b. Aug. 2, 1869. Res. El Paso Texas.  
Alfred Atwood, b. Oct. 10, 1872; d. \_\_\_\_\_.  
Josephine, b. July 15, 1877; m. W. A. Howard.
- 691 Raymond Ranney, b. Mar. 5, 1880.

541 Phebe Atwood<sup>s</sup> Ranney (sister to Victoria Janette), b. June 14, 1845, West Townshend, Vt.; m. Oct. 4, 1871, So. Dover, N. Y., Theodore Buckingham, b. Aug. 18, 1839, New Milford, Conn.; d. Jan. 21, 1904, So. Dover, N. Y. Merchant and station agent, Dem., Bapt., F. & A. M. She died 1880, So. Dover, N. Y., mem. Cong. ch., West Townshend, Vt.

*Children b. So. Dover, N. Y.:*

- Stella Eliza, b. July 20, 1873; teacher, Geneva, Ill.
- 692 Mary Anna, b. Nov. 2, 1875; m. Joseph W. Leach.  
George Herman, b. Feb. 3, 1878; d. Mar. 5, 1901.  
Alfred Theodore, b. Feb. 5, 1880; adopted by Mr. and Mrs. Leach. Res. Saxton's River, Vt.

542 Ambrose Loomis<sup>s</sup> Ranney (Lafayette<sup>7</sup>, Waitstill Randolph<sup>6</sup>, Waitstill<sup>5</sup>, Ephraim<sup>4</sup>, Thomas<sup>3</sup>, Thomas<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>), b. June 10, 1849, Hardwick, Mass.; m. July 8, 1876, Newburgh, N. Y., Marie Celli, b. July 8, 1850, New York City, dau. of Charles and Marie Celli of Paris, France. Dr. Ranney grad. 1868, at Dartmouth. Author of "Eye-Strain in Health and Disease," "Lectures on Nervous Diseases," "The Applied Anatomy of the Nervous System," etc. Late Professor of Nervous Diseases in the New York Post Graduate Medical School and Hospital, and the Medical Department of the University of Vermont. Like his father he was very distinguished in his profession. Died suddenly Dec. 1, 1905. His widow d. Apr. 15, 1906.

*Children:*

- Ambrose Elliott, b. June 7, 1878; unm.; grad. Uni. of Mich., Adj. 71st Reg. N. Y. S. N. G., Rep., Dutch Ref. ch., merchant; res. N. Y. City.
- Marie Bryan, b. Aug. 30, 1880; d. Dec. 20, 1888.

543 Fletcher<sup>s</sup> Ranney (Ambrose Arnold<sup>7</sup>, Waitstill Randolph<sup>6</sup>, Waitstill<sup>5</sup>, Ephraim<sup>4</sup>, Thomas<sup>3</sup>, Thomas<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>), b. Sept. 2, 1860, Boston, Mass.; m. June 24, 1886, Haverhill, Mass., Amy Harriet Porter, b. May 8, 1861, Haverhill, Mass., dau. of Dudley

Porter and Susan Sawyer Goodrich. Grad. 1883, Harvard, and Boston Law School, 1886; Rep., Unitarian, lawyer, succeeding largely to his father's extensive practice; res. Boston, Mass.

*Children:*

Ethel, b. Dec. 15, 1887.  
Dudley Porter, b. May 29, 1890.

544 Frederick Dean<sup>8</sup> Ranney (Stephen Eleazer<sup>7</sup> Waitstill Randolph<sup>6</sup>, Waitstill<sup>5</sup>, Ephraim<sup>4</sup>, Thomas<sup>3</sup>, Thomas<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>), b. May 1, 1856, N. Bennington, Vt.; m. Feb. 14, 1880, Brownsville, Texas, Eleanora Richard, b. July 31, 1855, Franklin, La., dau. of Octave Richard, native of France, and Martha Jones born in Louisiana. Dem., Unitarian, Tucker Lodge, No. 48, F. & A. M., N. Bennington, Vt., Temple Chapter, No. 8, R. A. M., Taft Commandery, No. 8, K. T., N. Bennington, Vt., Mountain Lodge, No. 88, A. O. U. W. Mrs. Ranney is Baptist; Tucker Chapter, No. 38, O. E. S. Res. No. Bennington, Vt.

*Child:*

Edwin Francis, b. Feb. 29, 1884; d. May 31, 1884.

545 Nellie Kate<sup>8</sup> Ranney (James Waitstill<sup>7</sup>, Waitstill Randolph<sup>6</sup>, Waitstill<sup>5</sup>, Ephraim<sup>4</sup>, Thomas<sup>3</sup>, Thomas<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>), b. July 6, 1866, N. Y. City; m. Dec. 29, 1892, N. Y. City, Richard Henry Reed, b. July 10, 1863, Tariffville, Conn., son of William Reed and Harriet M. Olcott; res. N. Y. City.

546 Henry Merle<sup>8</sup> Bottum (Helen Louise<sup>7</sup> Ranney, Dr. Waitstill Randolph<sup>6</sup>, Waitstill<sup>5</sup>, Ephraim<sup>4</sup>, Thomas<sup>3</sup>, Thomas<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>), b. Jan. 18, 1849, Shaftsbury, Vt.; m. Dec. 21, 1870, Shaftsbury, Vt., Fidelia E. Dunlap, b. May 10, 1848, Arlington, Vt., dau. of Marshall Dunlap and Thalia Mattison. She mem. Bapt. ch. and d. Mar. 3, 1906. He is farmer and breeder of Holsteins, Rep., Bapt.; res. Shaftsbury, Vt.

*Children:*

Norman Dunlap, b. June 11, 1873; m. Rena Huntington.

*Children:* Forest and Harold.

Stella Ruth, b. Oct. 19, 1875; m. Rev. Edgar E. Barrett.

*Child:* Frances Ruth.

Molly Stark, b. Aug. 3, 1877.

Nathan Hugh, b. Oct. 1, 1883.

Peace Huntington, b. Feb. 19, 1885; d. Mar. 29, 1905.

547 Fanny Lorraine<sup>8</sup> Bottum (sister to Henry Merle), b. Sept. 22, 1855, Shaftsbury, Vt.; m. (1) Sept. 14, 1876, Shaftsbury, Vt., Albert Leet Galusha, b. Oct. 6, 1850, Jericho, Vt., real estate agent, Rep., Bapt., Supt. of S. S. At twenty-one rem. to Lincoln, Neb.; d. Nov. 8, 1879, Denver, Col. She m. (2) Dec. 28, 1882, Jericho, Vt., William Chase Norris, b. June 3, 1842, Hardwick, Vt., son of Samuel Robinson Norris and Sarah Ann Farnham. Enl. May, 1861, Co. F, Second Vt. Reg. Taken prisoner July 21, 1864; released Feb. 21, 1865, then grad. Burlington Bus. College; expert telegraph operator, Meth.; res. Portland, Me.

*Children by 1st marriage:*

692a Albert Leet, b. Nov. 23, 1877.  
Frank Merle, b. July 26, 1879; d. Nov. 26, 1879.

*Child by 2d marriage:*

Bertha Huntington, b. Sept. 2, 1883; grad., 1906, Vassar College.

548 George Henry<sup>8</sup> Bottum (Frances Sophia<sup>7</sup> Ranney, Waitstill Randolph<sup>6</sup>, Waitstill<sup>5</sup>, Ephraim<sup>4</sup>, Thomas<sup>3</sup>, Thomas<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>), b. Jan. 15, 1861, Shaftsbury, Vt.; m. Feb. 6, 1890, Clifton, N. Y., Janet Lisette Widener, b. Apr. 9, 1867, Rochester, N. Y., dau. of Peter Widener and Adaline Gage. Dr. Bottum practiced medicine in N. Y. City, 1885-1895; rem. 1895 to Greenville, S. C. Baptist, Pres. Greenville Co. Med. Soc., mem. Am. Med. Assn.; res. Greenville, S. C.

*Children:*

Frances Ranney, b. Dec. 11, 1890.  
Helen Gage, b. Aug. 3, 1891.  
Margaret Huntington, b. Sept. 11, 1892.  
George Henry, b. Mar. 4, 1895; d. May, 1896.

549 Maud Hepworth<sup>8</sup> Ranney (Martin Luther<sup>7</sup>, Waitstill Randolph<sup>6</sup>, Waitstill<sup>5</sup>, Ephraim<sup>4</sup>, Thomas<sup>3</sup>, Thomas<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>), b. Feb. 24, 1876, N. Y. City; m. June 16, 1901, N. Y. City, Carl Lotus Becker, b. Sept. 7, 1873, Lincoln, Blackhawk Co., Ia., son of Charles De Witt Becker. Professor of Hist., Univ. of Kansas, Lawrence, Kan., Cornell Coll., Mt. Vernon, Ia., 1892-93; Uni. Wis., 1893; degree of B. L., 1896; grad. Student of Hist., 1896-98, with fellowship, Fellowship Columbia Uni., N. Y., 1898-99; Instr. Hist. and Pol. Science, Penn. State College, 1899-1901; Instructor Hist. Dartmouth Coll., 1901-02; Asst. Prof. European Hist., Uni. Kan., 1902. Author of various publications; res. Lawrence, Kan.

550 Sarah Frances<sup>s</sup> Ranney (Isaac<sup>7</sup>, James<sup>6</sup>, Jana<sup>5</sup>, Ephraim<sup>4</sup>, Thomas<sup>3</sup>, Thomas<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>), b. Sept. 28, 1846, Delaware, O.; m. Oct. 6, 1864, Delaware, O., Charles Lewis Lybrand, b. Sept. 16, 1837, Chilicothe, O., son of Archibald Lybrand and Jemima Guy. He was captain of Co. I, 46th Reg. Ohio Vols.; d. Sept. 16, 1875, of disease contracted in the army. Widow is an Assistant Examiner in Patent Office, Washington, D. C.

*Children:*

- 693 Charles Albert, b. Aug. 6, 1865.  
 694 Eleanor Grace, b. Oct. 31, 1869; m. D. Anthony Usina.  
 George Ranney, b. Mar. 30, 1872; d. June 3, 1894.

551 Grace<sup>s</sup> Ranney (sister to Sarah Frances), b. Sept. 21, 1854, Delaware, O.; m. Nov. 7, 1877, Gaithersburg, Md., John Bernard Diamond, b. Mar. 25, 1857, Montgomery Co., Md., son of William Craig Diamond and Josephine Jenkins. Mr. Diamond is Bank Pres., Pres. of Milling & Mfg. Co., gentleman farmer, Dem. Both Roman Catholics; res. "Bellevue," Gaithersburg, Md.

*Children:*

- 695 William Carrell, b. Oct. 23, 1878.  
 Eleanor Ranney, b. May 16, 1880; d. July 28, 1881.  
 John Bernard, b. June 23, 1882; unm.; student at one time of Georgetown College; in charge of father's estate.  
 Herbert Laurence, b. Aug. 15, 1884; grad., 1902, of Emerson Institute.  
 Douglas Byrnnne, b. May 21, 1890; student at Georgetown College.

552 Elizabeth Burden<sup>s</sup> Ranney (sister to Sarah Frances), b. June 19, 1856, Delaware, O.; m. Dec. 8, 1880, Washington, D. C., David Munro Munro, b. Sept. 1, 1859, Washington, D. C., son of George A. Munro and Elizabeth Hall. Electrical insurance, Dem.; res. Gaithersburg, Md.

*Children:*

- 695a Katherine, b. Dec. 8, 1881; m. T. M. Talbott.  
 Donald Ranney, b. Mar. 15, 1884.  
 Grace Ranney, b. Aug. 7, 1885.  
 Elizabeth, b. Nov. 7, 1888.

553 Katherine Rebecca<sup>s</sup> Ranney (sister to Sarah Frances), b. Dec. 14, 1865, Delaware, O.; m. Oct. 16, 1888, James Barry

Adams, b. May 26, 1867, son of Thomas Adams and Eliza Barry. Chief Div. Records and Special Fiscal Agt. Forest Service, U. S. Dept. Agr., Rep., Captain, Spanish War, 1898-99; P. M. Pentalpha Lodge, No. 194, Md. F. & A. M.; P. H. P. Montgomery Chapter, No. 33, Md. R. A. M.; P. C. Mont. Com'y, No. 13, Md. K. T.; Almas Temple, A. A. O. M. S. Mrs. Adams is R. C.; res. Gaithersburg, Md.

*Children:*

Richard Ranney, b. Dec. 31, 1894.  
John Carver, b. Mar. 13, 1896.

554 Edward Jarvis<sup>8</sup> Willis (Willett<sup>7</sup> Ranney, Willett<sup>6</sup> Ranney, Sybil<sup>5</sup>, Willett<sup>4</sup>, Willett<sup>3</sup>, Thomas<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>), b. Oct. 28, 1866, Brownsville, N. Y.; m. Apr. 23, 1890, La Veta, Col., Mary Katherine Todd, b. Sept. 6, 1869, Georgetown, Col., dau. of Samuel Todd and Elizabeth Phillips. Asst. Sec'y Pueblo Water Co., Rep., Bapt., F. & A. M., Woodmen of the World; res. Pueblo, Col.

*Children:*

Howard Todd, b. May 9, 1891.  
Mary Elizabeth, b. June 9, 1893.  
Kathryn, b. Dec. 30, 1897.  
James Stanley, b. Sept. 29, 1900.

555 Frank Grimes<sup>8</sup> Willis (brother to Edward Jarvis), b. Nov. 13, 1867, Brownsville, N. Y.; m. (1) June 20, 1893, Frankie L. Mills, b. July 26, 1867, Oxford, Ind.; d. Oct. 22, 1901, dau. of James Franklin Mills and Mary Louise Young; m. (2) June 15, 1904, Greeley, Col., Maud Florence Jones, b. Jan. 6, 1877, Cleveland, O., dau. of John W. Jones and Jennie Smith; civil and mining eng., Cong., F. & A. M.; res. Cripple Creek, Col.

*Children:*

Robert Mills, b. Dec. 12, 1894.  
Orlo Frank, b. Mar. 18, 1901.

556 Kate Elizabeth<sup>8</sup> Willis (sister to Edward Jarvis), b. Dec. 5, 1870, Brownsville, N. Y.; m. Mar. 13, 1890, La Veta, Col., Hervey Erdman Hills, b. Sept. 4, 1857, N. Y. State. Mining eng., Cong., Rep.; res. Cripple Creek, Col.

*Children:*

Gilbert Milton, b. June 22, 1891.  
Willis Gardiner, b. Dec. 10, 1896.

557 Theodora<sup>8</sup> Ranney (Daniel Bristol<sup>7</sup>, John<sup>6</sup>, Willett<sup>5</sup>, Willett<sup>4</sup>, Willett<sup>3</sup>, Thomas<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>), b. Sept. 12, 1866, Smithville, N. Y.; m. Sept. 22, 1891, Lowell, Mich., Harry Howell Lake, b. Sept. 12, 1866, New York, son of David Dye Lake and Susan Larish of Dutch ancestry. Insurance; res. Central City, Col.

*Children:*

Marjorie, b. Aug. 2, 1893.  
Willett Ranney, b. Jan. 11, 1897.

558 Helen Mabel<sup>8</sup> Ranney (sister to Theodora), b. Oct. 16, 1870, Greeley, Col., the first female child born in that noted settlement; m. Oct. 21, 1891, Bert E. Quick, b. Nov. 6, 1866, Lowell, Mich.; res. Grand Rapids, Mich.

*Children:*

Ranney, b. Feb. 15, 1893; d. July 15, 1894.  
Maurice Ranney, b. Sept. 27, 1894.  
Theodora, b. May 12, 1896.  
Helen Mabel, b. Aug. 25, 1902.

559 Austin<sup>8</sup> Scott (Sarah Shepherd<sup>7</sup> Ranney, Reuben<sup>6</sup>, Jonathan<sup>5</sup>, George<sup>4</sup>, George<sup>3</sup>, Thomas<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>), b. Aug. 10, 1848, Maumee, O.; m. Feb. 21, 1882, Newark, N. J., Anna Prentice Stearns, b. June 29, 1852, Newark, N. J., dau. of Jonathan French Stearns and Anna Smith Prentice. Independent Democrat, mem. Reformed Church in America. The following is taken from *The Targum*, the organ of Rutgers College students, announcing his retirement from the Presidency and his retention of his Professorship:

“AUSTIN SCOTT, PH. D., L.L. D.

“Dr. Scott was born at Maumee, Ohio, on August 10, 1848. He was prepared for college at Toledo, and was graduated from Yale College, in the class of 1869. After graduate study for a year at Michigan University he received there the degree of Master of Arts, and after three year's study he received the degree of Doctor of Philosophy from the University of Leipsig. From 1871 to 1873, and again from 1875 to 1881, he was associated with George Bancroft in his historical work. For two years, 1873 to 1875, he was Instructor in German in Michigan University. For seven years, 1875 to 1882, he was Associate in History at Johns Hopkins University. While there he organized the Seminary of American History, and for several years conducted it. In 1891 he received the degree of Doctor of Laws from Princeton College.

"Dr. Scott came to Rutgers in 1883, becoming Acting Professor in January, and Professor of History, Political Economy and Constitutional Law in June. Later his title became Professor of History and Political Science.

"President Gates having resigned, Professor Scott was elected President of the college on November 25, 1890, and was inaugurated on February 4, 1891. He remained in the office just fifteen years. His resignation, presented early in 1905, took effect on January 1, 1906. Having remained in the Professorship during his entire term as President, he still continues in it and serves the college in his chosen field of study.

"The service of Dr. Scott to the college in executive office has been devoted and vigorous and progressive. The property has been distinctly enlarged in his time. Winant's Dormitory had just been erected when he became President, Ballantine Gymnasium was built in 1894, and the Ralph Voorhees Library was built in 1902-3. The Ceramics building has been provided. The campus has been improved and beautified. Substantial addition has been made to the endowment funds. The relations with the State of New Jersey have now been so adjusted that the sympathy and support of the State seems surer and larger for the Scientific School. The Ceramics Department has been organized and the various departments of the college curriculum developed.

"The devotion of the retiring President to Rutgers has been deep and strong. With great and persistent zeal he has given himself to the college, striving for its welfare and its efficiency. By his character and by his accomplishments he has won for himself a wide esteem and grateful recognition. It is a source of greatest gratification that he remains with Rutgers in his Professorship, continuing to her students in the class room the values of his bright attainment and effective teaching."

*Children:*

Jonathan French, b. Dec. 10, 1882.

Austin Wakeman, b. Aug. 31, 1884.

Sarah Ranney, b. Mar. 3, 1886.

Margaret Stearns, b. Nov. 28, 1887.

James Bancroft, b. Oct. 6, 1889.

Anna Prentiss, b. Jan. 29, 1892.

Sergeant Prentiss, b. Mar. 13, 1897.

560 Mary Eliza Horton<sup>s</sup> Scott (sister to Austin), b. May 3, 1863, Toledo, O.; m. (1) 1888, Ann Arbor, Mich., Charles Lunt Carter, b. Nov. 30, 1864, Honolulu, H. I., son of Hon. Henry A.



P. Carter, late Hawaiian Minister at Washington, his mother being the youngest daughter of the eminent Dr. G. P. Judd. Mr. Carter's legal ability and early diplomatic experience with his father led to his selection as one of the five commissioners of the Provisional Government sent to Washington, Jan. 19, 1893, to negotiate a treaty of annexation with the United States. For a short time in March and April, in the absence of the other Commissioners the duty of communicating with Secretary Gresham at a critical time devolved upon Mr. Carter. He also had a leading part in drafting the Constitution of the Republic of Hawaii and in the debates of the Constitutional Convention. He was elected a member of the House of Representatives from Honolulu. Mr. Carter was killed Jan. 5, 1895, while serving as Captain of Volunteers of the Republic of Hawaii in the revolution to overthrow the government.

Mrs. Carter married (2) April 6, 1899, New York City, Dr. Charles Edmond Davis, Lieutenant Colonel, 10th Regiment, N. G., N. Y., late Major and Surgeon 1st New York Volunteer Infantry, Spanish-American War; son of Thomas David Davis; born at St. Lynn, Canada, P. Q. When two years of age removed with his parents to Waterford, N. Y. Educated in the Waterford High School. Engaged in the drug business, receiving a State drug license in 1889. Studied medicine with Dr. Edgar Zeh, Waterford, and the late Dr. Swinburne of Albany. Was graduated from the Albany Medical College in 1891. In 1889-1890 was resident physician of the Homeopathic Hospital. Began the practice of medicine in the city of Albany; was appointed member of the Albany Board of Pension Examiners on which Board he served as Secretary for six years. He was appointed as a member of the Albany Board of Health in 1896, and served for two years. He organized the Albany City Free Dispensary Association. In 1897 he was appointed the attending surgeon for the Child's Hospital; 1901, St. Peter's Hospital.

He joined Company A, 10th Battalion, November 8, 1888; dropped, April 9, 1890; re-enlisted January 30, 1893; Hospital Steward, 10th Battalion, February 4, 1893; Assistant Surgeon of the grade of captain; Oct. 15, 1897; Surgeon of the grade of major, 1st Regiment, April 29, 1898; returned February 24, 1899, to 10th Battalion as Assistant Surgeon; Lieutenant Colonel, 10th Regiment, May 1, 1905.

Dr. Davis is President of the National Guard Association of New York State, 1907, a member of the Albany County Medical Society, State Medical Society, Association of Military Surgeons of U. S., Masters' Lodge, F. & A. M., Temple Chapter, R. A. M.,

Flower Lodge K. of P., Fort Orange, Albany, University and Country Clubs. He is at present actively engaged in the practice of surgery at 15 Washington Avenue, Albany, N. Y.

Mrs. Davis after attending the public and high school of Ann Arbor, Mich., attended the celebrated boarding school of Miss Nancy Deborah Ranney in Elizabeth, N. J. After her marriage to Mr. Carter in 1888 she resided in the Hawaiian Islands and until November, 1898. She removed to New York City and since her marriage to Dr. Davis their residence has been Albany, New York.

*Children:*

Jennie Evans Carter, b. Jan. 15, 1889; d. July 30, 1889.

Henry Alpheus Pierce Carter, b. May 4, 1890.

Grace Stevens Carter, b. Feb. 4, 1893.

Charles Edmond Davis, Jr., b. Apr. 24, 1901.

Austin Scott Davis, b. Aug. 28, 1903.

561 Daniel<sup>8</sup> Ranney (William<sup>7</sup>, Samuel Hall<sup>6</sup>, George<sup>5</sup>, George<sup>4</sup>, George<sup>3</sup>, Thomas<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>), b. 1829, Ashfield, Mass.; m. Annie Parshall, b. Canandaigua, N. Y.; d. 1866, Ferrysburg, Mich. He was a noted horseman and for some years was connected with Howe's London Circus. He conducted a noted hotel in Ferrysburg, Mich., for a few years where he died in 1879.

562 Emily<sup>8</sup> Ranney (sister to Daniel), b. Mar. 27; 1838, Canandaigua, N. Y.; m. 1857, James B. Van Alstine, b. 1832, Warner, N. Y., who d. 1902, at Hanover, Wis. He had been in the employ of his father-in-law and so met and married the daughter of his employer. Dem., I. O. O. F. The widow resides in the house built by her father in 1863. One child, Ella May, b. 1864, Hanover, Wis.; res. with her mother.

563 William Ostrander<sup>8</sup> Ranney (brother to Daniel), b. Oct. 24, 1841, near Milwaukee, Wis.; m. Dec. 12, 1876, Osawatomie, Kan., Addie Margaret Pearson, b. May 21, 1857, Logan, O., dau. of Abraham Pearson and Hannah Ann Pierce. Private, Co. B, 22d. Reg. Wis. Vols. He was the only son old enough to enlist when the war came. He enlisted Aug. 15, 1862, and served to June 28, 1865. The story of his army experience has been written at length for the benefit of his children. He was taken prisoner at Brentwood, Tenn., and sent to Libby Prison, where he remained forty-two days, until exchanged. After the battle of Peach Tree Creek there were only six men left for duty in his company. He went with Sherman on his "March to the Sea," then on to Washington

for the Grand Review. His sister, Mrs. James Barnes, who died in 1869, wrote that the regiment was banquetted at Grand Haven, Mich., on its way to Milwaukee, and that her brother was "pronounced by all to be the finest looking man among them."

In March, 1866, he removed to Kansas, and trapped and hunted with financial success. He then went to Wis., and spent four years learning the carpenter's trade, from thence to Yankton, So. Dakota, trapping for furs. He had extensive experience in the Michigan pineries as a judge of timber. In 1874 he was back in Kansas in the building department of the Missouri Pacific R. R. Co. In 1883 he settled on his present home farm, having acquired a competence. He is six feet two inches in height, weighs 200 pounds. Res. Osawatomie, Kan.

*Children:*

Charles Clyde, b. Sept. 19, 1877; unm.; res. Touchet, Wash.  
 Harry Wilber, b. Oct. 31, 1880; unm.; res. Touchet, Wash.  
 Claude Evan, b. Jan. 6, 1893.

564 Andrew Jackson<sup>s</sup> Ranney (brother to Daniel), b. July 24, 1844, near Milwaukee, Wis.; m. (1) June 10, 1870, Henrietta Smith, b. July 24, 1847, d. Feb. 15, 1873, dau. of Ezra and Mehitable Smith of Mound City, Kan.; m. (2) Feb. 18, 1883, Florence Maria Turner, b. Dec. 11, 1863, dau. of Andrew Jackson Turner and Maria Louisa Whitson. In 1866 Mr. Ranney, who had learned the stone mason's trade, began his life work in Kansas, though only twenty-two years of age, as a contractor. In 1869 he put up twenty-five miles of masonry of what is now the "Frisco" railroad. He has been extensively engaged in railroad bridge construction. Has been superintendent of construction for the State Hospital for the Insane and similar important works. He is an Independent Republican, holding many local offices and for six years as County Commissioner he instituted many reforms. He lives in a stone house, built by himself, and said to be the best in the county; res. Osawatomie, Kan.

*Child by 1st marriage:*

Guy Leroy, b. June 17, 1872; d. Jan. 18, 1903.

*Children by 2d marriage:*

Fred Turner, b. May 10, 1884; unm.; editor Kansas City  
*Post*, Kansas City, Mo.  
 Franklin Whitson, b. Aug. 16, 1887.  
 Karl Ostrander, b. Feb. 5, 1890.

565 James Knox Polk<sup>s</sup> Ranney (brother to Daniel), b. July 17,

1848, near Milwaukee, Wis.; m. Feb. 22, 1874, Paola, Kan., Ida Louise Inman, b. Feb. 20, 1857, Janesville, Wis., dau. of John Inman, b. Jan. 29, 1801, in Penn., but the first white man to settle in Rock Co., Wis., and who had been sent out early to buy and locate lands in Iowa and Wisconsin, and who spent a winter with the Indians. He owned the land on one side of the river where Janesville stands. His second wife was Hannah Sidmore, whose mother was the daughter of Judge Cory of the N. Y. Supreme Court. Mr. Inman lived to be 91 years of age. His daughter Ida, was one of twelve children.

Judge Ranney was born while President Polk was in the White House, hence his name. When he was thirteen he was taken from school to fill the place made vacant by the enlistment of his brother. In 1866 the father decided to move to Kansas to take up land enough for all the boys. Their ox-team arrived in Miami Co. on June 25, 1866, and they located on the 160 acre farm now occupied by the subject of this sketch. He took an ardent interest in all debates, having decided opinions on all subjects discussed in the lyceums of that early day.

His bride was a "girl bride" of seventeen summers and he insisted on her going to school, which she did and remained a pupil until near the time of the birth of Mabel. The husband and father's love for mental culture must have found its development in this child's present success. Mr. Ranney has been a Judge of Probate for some years and in various ways has been a leader in county affairs, being at present President of Miami Co. Farmer's Institute; res. Osawatomie, Kan.

*Children:*

696 Mabel, b. Jan. 28, 1875; m. F. B. Wheeler.

697 Nettie, b. Jan. 11, 1877; m. Chas. E. Rossman.

698 Ralph, b. Aug. 3, 1878.

Clarence, b. Apr. 12, 1880; unm.; res. Osawatomie.

Addie, b. June 24, 1883; grad. Manual Training School

Annie, b. June 24, 1883; grad. Manual Training School.

Bessie, b. Mar. 17, 1888; died in a few days.

Ethel May, b. Jan. 6, 1894.

566 Mary Ann<sup>s</sup> Ranney (sister to Daniel), b. Aug. 31, 1850, Beloit, Wis.; m. May 22, 1879, Osawatomie, Kan., Orville Niles, b. Mar. 4, 1846, Hartford, Conn. Private, Co. D, 49th Reg. Ill. Vols.; wounded at Fort Henry, discharged for disability after having been in many battles. Farmer and stock raiser; res. Osawatomie, Kan.

*Children:*

- Orville, Jr., b. Mar. 14, 1880.  
 Florence, b. June 27, 1881; m. Jan. 3, 1900, Russell Dalrymple. *Children:*  
 Dora Bell, b. June 24, 1901.  
 Owen R., b. Nov. 24, 1903.  
 Cornelia, b. Mar. 15, 1884; m. N. L. Endicott; res. Sedalia, Mo. *Child:*  
 Lola May, b. 1904.  
 Lulu Edith, b. July 22, 1892.

566a Mary Henrietta<sup>8</sup> Ranney (Frederick Thompson<sup>7</sup>, Samuel Hall<sup>6</sup>, George<sup>5</sup>, George<sup>4</sup>, George<sup>3</sup>, Thomas<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>), b. Mar. 18, 1846, Grand Haven, Mich.; m. Aug. 14, 1866, Albert Decatur Reade, b. Nov. 2, 1844, Sackett's Harbor, N. Y. Served in 1862 in Mich. Sharpshooters. Tea broker; res. St. Paul, Minn.

*Children:*

- William Stuart, b. Oct. 19, 1869; unm.  
 Grace Myrtle, b. Sept. 5, 1872; m. Sept. 5, 1903, St. Paul, Minn., Henry Clay Aldrich, M. D., b. Apr. 13, 1857, Minneapolis, Minn., son of Cyrus Aldrich and Clara Adelia Heaton. Rep., F. & A. M., K. of P., S. A. R., R. A., and many medical societies; res. Minneapolis, Minn.  
 Arthur Huntington, b. Aug. 5, 1874; unm.  
 Gertrude Louise, b. Aug. 25, 1879; m. Mar. 14, 1900, Edward Lyde Ogilvie, editor, Elk; res. St. Paul, Minn.  
*Child:*  
 Burton Ranney, b. June 6, 1902.  
 Dee, b. Jan. 7, 1889.

567 Florence<sup>8</sup> Ranney (sister to Mary Henrietta), b. June 10, 1862, Nortonville, Mich.; m. Dec. 17, 1890, Olivet, Mich., Frank Amos Draper, b. June 3, 1866, Danville, Ill.; d. Nov. 8, 1903, Liberty, N. Y. Rep., Meth., K. of P., R. A. Widow res. Greeley, Col.

*Children:*

- Elizabeth, b. Aug. 4, 1896.  
 Edwin Jonathan, b. Jan. 1, 1900.  
 Ranney Clark, b. Jan. 22, 1902.

567a Lewis Jay<sup>8</sup> Ranney (brother to Mary Henrietta), b. July 27, 1872; m. Dec. 17, 1898, June Estelle Bradley, b. Oct. 21, 1874,

dau. of Jared A. Bradley and Emily J. Peters. Electrician, K. of P., Rep.; res. Cherryville, Oregon.

568 Sarah Jane<sup>s</sup> Ranney (James Sumner<sup>7</sup>, Jesse<sup>6</sup>, George<sup>5</sup>, George<sup>4</sup>, Thomas<sup>3</sup>, Thomas<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>), b. Nov. 9, 1824, Ashfield, Mass.; d. Oct. 11, 1861; m. Nov. 28, 1844, Harding Gerome Woodward, b. Aug. 14, 1822, New Braintree, Mass.; Meth., Rep., wholesale meat dealer, from 1847, in Greenfield, Mass., to his death, Mar. 19, 1884.

*Children:*

- 699 Sarah Louisa, b. Mar. 7, 1846; m. F. W. Johnson.  
Eleanor Jane, b. July 15, 1847; d. July 6, 1848.  
699a Emma Eldora, b. June 14, 1849; m. C. E. Baker.  
700 James Madison, b. Feb. 3, 1852.  
701 Newman Harding, b. Nov. 2, 1853.

569 William Edwin<sup>s</sup> Ranney (brother to Sarah Jane), b. Mar. 6, 1827; m. Jan. 1, 1848, Amherst, Mass., Louise Jane Worden, b. Apr. 24, 1827, Marlboro, Vt., dau. of Roswell Worden and Louise Upham. He d. Mar., 1903. Widow res. Hartford, Conn.

*Children:*

- Dewitt Lafayette, b. Sept., 1849.  
Florence Isabelle, b. May 10, 1852; m. Oct. 22, 1875, William Goodrich Hopkins; res. New Haven, Conn.  
Hattie Jane, b. Feb. 5, 1854; m. Jan. 11, 1876, Charles Smith Brigham, b. May 1, 1854. Railway conductor. Re. Hartford, Conn. *Child:*  
Eleanor Hattie, b. Oct. 6, 1876; m. June 19, 1907, Charles Hubert St. John. Res. East Hartford, Conn.  
Edna L., b. Feb. 6, 1882; d. Jan. 3, 1883.

570 Charles Sumner<sup>s</sup> Ranney (brother to Sarah Jane), b. 1828, Hartford, Conn.; m. (1) ———, 1852, Belding, Mich., Nettie Trowbridge, b. ———, Greenville, Mich.,

*Children:*

- Arthur William, b. 1852; res. Kalamazoo.  
Leon Austin, b. July 9, 1875; d. Nov. 9, 1901.  
Glen Earl, b. Jan. 19, 1879, Kalamazoo, Mich.; m. June 22, 1903, Nellie Esther Walker, b. Sept. 8, 1883, Cressy, Mich., dau. of John Robert Walker and Emma Adelaide Strickland. Machinist, Dem., Bapt., I. O. O. F.; res. Kalamazoo, Mich.

Lysle J., b. Apr. 12, 1883; m. Sept. 4, 1900; res. Duluth, Minn.

571 James Hamilton<sup>s</sup> Ranney (brother to Sarah Jane), b. Mar. 30, 1831, Ashfield, Mass.; m. Apr. 12, 1854, Windsor, Conn., Mary Jane Elmer, b. Nov. 17, 1836, Windsor, Conn., dau. of Curtis Elmer and Violet Morgan. Grocer and florist, Dem., F. & A. M., Selectman and Town Auditor. He rem. 1853 to East Hartford, 1875 to Hartford, where he d. Oct. 14, 1879. Ranney Street in E. Hartford was named after him. Widow is Epis. and res. East Hartford, Conn.

*Children:*

- Martin H., b. Jan. 28, 1855; d. Mar. 8, 1859.  
 Ida Jane, b. Mar. 10, 1857; d. Oct. 15, 1875.  
 702 Lizzie Emma, b. July 26, 1859; m. Chas. Merriman.  
 Frank Davis, b. Aug. 15, 1861.  
 Newton C., b. Aug. 16, 1863.  
 Walter Keney, b. Oct. 13, 1865. Res. East Hartford, Ct.  
 James Burt, b. Nov. 10, 1870.  
 Jesse Otis, b. July 8, 1873; d. Sept. 23, 1883.  
 Daisy May, b. Jan. 31, 1875; d. Aug. 3, 1897.  
 Robert W., b. Sept. 8, 1878.

572 Austin Sherman<sup>s</sup> Ranney (brother to Sarah Jane), b. Dec. 31, 1840, Ashfield, Mass.; m. (1) Apr. 3, 1862, Windsor, Conn., Delia Loomis Camp, b. Aug. 19, 1837, Windsor, Conn.; d. Feb. 16, 1872, Hartford, Conn.; m. (2) June 24, 1875, Hartford, Conn., Ida Elizabeth Roberts of Hartford, dau. of Lee Dudley Roberts and Louise Andrews. Mr. Ranney was a grain broker, F. & A. M. and Dem. The Concord, New Hampshire, *Monitor* announcing his death on June 4, 1898, said he

“Was one of those true and steadfast men whom a community can ill afford to lose, and the record of his twenty years of residence in this city emphasizes the city’s loss, because of his death. Not that his public services were of long duration or that they covered a wide range, but that he was so uniformly strong and courageous and so thoroughly reliable in all that he did, both as a business man with extended connections and as a municipal officer. He was one of those men whose lives go to give a community high character, a type all too rare in these latter days of the world. For several years Mr. Ranney was a director and vice-president of the Union Trust Co., and at the time of his death a director of the First National Bank. In religious belief he was a Congregation-

alist, a member of the South Church, and prominent in its affairs." The widow and daughters res. in Concord, N. H.

*Child by 1st marriage:*

Delia Austin, b. Jan. 7, 1872.

*Children by 2d marriage:*

Grace Louise, b. Aug. 14, 1876.

Lurena May, b. Nov. 12, 1881.

573 Salvador Otis<sup>s</sup> Ranney (brother to Sarah Jane), b. Sept. 15, 1846, Ashfield, Mass.; m. Nov. 18, 1868, Windsor Locks, Conn., Adelia Bennett Wood, b. Mar. 7, 1845, Suffield, Conn., dau. of Benjamin Wood and Eliza Moran. At fourteen years of age Mr. Ranney rem. to Hartford to enter the employ of his brothers, who were grocers. He conducted it till marriage, when he entered the cigar mfg. business with his father-in-law, whom he succeeded in 1887, and later rem. to Suffield, where he is largely engaged in the manufacture of cigars. P. O. address, Windsor Locks, Conn.

*Children:*

703 Inez, b. Nov. 24, 1869; m. Louis Nelson Wiley.

Margaret, b. Oct. 17, 1871; unm.

Sarah E., b. Sept. 28, 1873; unm.

704 Benjamin Wood, b. Jan. 14, 1877.

705 Mabel Wood, b. Jan. 14, 1882; m. S. S. Grotta. Res. Hartford, Ct.

574 Charles Thomas<sup>s</sup> Ranney (Charles<sup>7</sup>, Jesse<sup>8</sup>, George<sup>5</sup> George<sup>4</sup>, George<sup>3</sup>, Thomas<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>), b. June 17, 1848, Ashfield, Mass.; m. 1876, Laura Godfrey. Extensively engaged in Ranney Refrigerator Co., and other important lines of business.; res. Greenville, Mich.

*Child:*

Leon George, b. May, 1877; m. 1901, Grace Tupper; res. Greenville, Mich. *Children:*

Martha Lucile, b. May 21, 1904.

Laura Maxime, b. Nov. 20, 1906.

575 Frederick Eli<sup>s</sup> Ranney (brother to Charles Thomas), b. July 2, 1853, Ashfield, Mass.; m. Aug. 10, 1875, Belding, Mich., Mary Louisa Ellis, b. Oct. 10, 1854, Belding, Mich., dau. of Lewis<sup>4</sup> Ellis (Deacon Dimick<sup>3</sup>, Lieut. John<sup>2</sup>, Richard<sup>1</sup>. See the "Ellis Book.") and Louisa P. Wilson. Mrs. Ranney d. Aug. 2,





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1900. Mr. Ranney has been engaged in the manufacture of refrigerators for twenty years, is Pres. of the Ranney Refrigerator Co., and active mgr., Treas. of the Moor Plow and Implement Co., Treas. of the Skinner & Steeman Co., mfg. sideboards and buffets, Pres. of Commercial Savings Bank, is 32° Mason, K. of P.; res. Greenville, Mich.

*Children:*

705a Ellis Wilbur, b. Feb. 23, 1878.

Carrie L., b. Sept. 3, 1880.

Hattie B., b. Feb. 15, 1883.

Leroy W., b. Oct. 18, 1888.

576 Charles Dimick<sup>8</sup> Ellis (Hannah<sup>7</sup> Ranney, Jesse<sup>6</sup>, George<sup>5</sup>, George<sup>4</sup>, George<sup>3</sup>, Thomas<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>), b. Sept. 24, 1829, Pittstown, N. Y.; m. Apr. 30, 1862, Eliza Antoinette Lockwood, of Grand Rapids, Mich. He remained on the home farm in Belding, Mich, where he d. Mar. 28, 1903. The widow res. in Pueblo, Col.

*Children:*

Mae, b. 1863.

Wm. E., b. 1867; res. with wife and four children on the farm, Belding, Mich.

577 Erastus Ranney<sup>8</sup> Ellis, M. D. (brother to Charles Dimick), b. Mar. 3, 1832, Pittstown, N. Y.; m. Apr. 22, 1857, Minerva Ellis, who d. Aug. 16, 1884. He compiled the Ellis Genealogy, is a physician, practicing in Detroit, Mich.

*Children:*

Elizabeth Burpee, b. May 18, 1858; m. June 30, 1887, Alexander Marcus Gunn, of Scotch parentage; res. Heppner, Oregon.

Helen Minerva, b. Dec. 2, 1860; m. Sept. 11, 1883, J. Seward Andrews; res. Detroit, Mich.

Jessie Ranney, b. Feb. 17, 1863.

Edward Dimick, b. Apr. 29, 1867; m. 1894, Julia A. Moran; res. Detroit, Mich.

Anna Belle, b. Dec. 11, 1873; d. June 8, 1874.

578 Alanson Andrews<sup>8</sup> Richmond (Amanda<sup>7</sup> Ranney, Jesse<sup>6</sup>, George<sup>5</sup>, George<sup>4</sup>, George<sup>3</sup>, Thomas<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>), b. Dec. 29, 1829, Buckland, Mass.; d. Mar. 20, 1898, Charlemont, Mass.; m. Sept. 22, 1852, Buckland, Amelia Fanny Wood, b. Apr. 16, 1834, Buckland, dau. of Lyman Wood and Almira Eliza Hook.

*Children:*

- 705b Nettie Aurelia, b. Oct. 2, 1854; m. W. G. Hayes.  
 Herbert Alanson, b. Mar. 22, 1856; m. Jan. 22, 1885, Emma  
 Roy Babcock, b. Feb. 9, 1861; farmer. Res. Charle-  
 mont, Mass. *Children:*  
 Amy Amelia, b. June 21, 1886; m. Dec. 24, 1904, George  
 Churchill.  
 Ethel Grace, b. Nov. 20, 1888; d. Dec. 15, 1903.  
 Edna Louise, b. Mar. 1, 1891.  
 Albert Eugene, b. May 15, 1893.  
 Harold Earl, b. Oct. 16, 1895.  
 Homer Herbert, b. July 29, 1902.  
 Arthur Elijah, b. June 22, 1859; m. Jan. 1, 1885, May  
 Stratton; farmer. Res. Charlemont. Mass. *Children:*  
 Marion, b. Dec. 1, 1886; m. July 7, 1903, Curtis Whipple.  
*Children:*  
 Clarence R., b. Oct. 19, 1904.  
 Russell Whipple, b. Oct. 4, 1905.  
 Ruth, b. July 21, 1891.  
 Everett, b. July 12, 1895.  
 Marjorie, b. Feb. 19, 1900.  
 Walter Lyman, b. June 1, 1861; m. Nov. 29, 1887, Lizzie  
 Maria Des Roches; merchant. Res. Gardner, Mass.  
 James Otis, b. Oct. 19, 1863; m. Nov. 27, 1888, Flora  
 Josephine Friend; merchant. Res. Fitchburg, Mass.  
*Child:*  
 Ralph Elmer, b. Feb. 1, 1894.  
 Lora Luella, b. Dec. 2, 1863; m. Sept. 4, 1890, Thomas  
 Henry Lucas, machinist. Res. Newton, Mass. *Child-*  
*ren:*  
 Mark Raymond, b. July 27, 1891.  
 Pauline Marguerite, b. May 20, 1894.  
 Mildred Viola, b. June 9, 1899.  
 Stanley Richmond, b. July 8, 1903.  
 Frances Elsie, b. Apr. 28, 1905.  
 Lorin Lincoln, b. Dec. 2, 1866; m. May 24, 1893, Carrie M.  
 Mansur. Res. Greenfield, Mass. *Children:*  
 Irene Frances, b. Dec. 27, 1898; d. Aug. 3, 1899.  
 Wesley Lincoln, b. Mar. 26, 1895.  
 Erma Pauline, b. July 26, 1906.  
 Burke Eugene, b. Oct. 1, 1869; m. Aug. 16, 1905, Mary B.  
 Leavitt. Farmer. Res. Charlemont.

579 Edwin Jesse<sup>s</sup> Ranney (Edwin<sup>r</sup>, Jesse<sup>e</sup>, George<sup>s</sup>, George<sup>t</sup>,

George<sup>3</sup>, Thomas<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>), b. Dec. 11, 1844, Pittstown, N. Y.; m. Nov. 22, 1892, Carleton, Mich., Ada Alice Matthews, b. June 9, 1867, Mt. Clemens, Mich., dau. of Joseph George Matthews and Roxanna Alice Huff. Farmer, P. of H., Rep., Meth.; res. Big Rapids, Mich.

*Children:*

George Edwin, b. Mar. 26, 1894.  
Ruth Eliza, b. Dec. 22, 1895.  
Verne Alonzo, b. June 28, 1901.

580 Marcia Abbie<sup>8</sup> Ranney (sister to Edwin Jesse), b. Nov. 15, 1850, Pittstown, N. Y.; m. May 12, 1875, Belding, Mich., Alonzo U. Smith, b. Aug. 3, 1850, Canada Real Estate, insurance, Rep., Bapt., I. O. O. F., Royal Americans; res. Reed City, Mich.

*Children:*

Arthur Leon Smith, b. July 23, 1880; grad. 1903, State Normal Coll., B. Pd., Prin. High School, Reed City, Mich.  
Byron Earle, b. 1885; grad. 1905, High School.  
Verne Alvor, b. 1888.  
Evah Ethel, b. 1891.

581 Alvor Milton<sup>8</sup> Ranney (brother to Edwin Jesse), b. Oct. 25, 1847, Pittstown, N. Y.; m. May 27, 1891, Hudsonville, Mich., Ethel Lowing, b. May 4, 1869, Hudsonville, dau. of Isaac Newton Lowing and Jane West. Insurance agent, Rep., Cong., County Clerk and Recorder of Routt County, 1896-97; rem. 1906, to Hudsonville, Mich. Mr. Ranney furnished the following in 1904:

"In the summer time of 1883 a brother and myself took Horace Greeley's advice, and went to Pueblo, Col., thence to Denver. Bought a pair of horses, wagon and camping outfit and made a trip over the Rocky Mountains. I kept a daily diary, but the experiences of this trip are fresh in my memory. We traveled slowly, taking plenty of time to catch trout and shoot game. The scenery was charming. The month of June was perfect. We reached this place on July 7, 1883. Here each of us located a 160 acre farm covered with sage brush. We built log cabins, bringing the logs from the river bank a mile distant. For some years we lived a bachelor's life, getting our supplies from Rawlins, Wyoming, 100 miles distant. My farm is now the town of Craig, situated in Yampa River Valley, near the mouth of Fortification Creek. Instead of the bare sage brush in 1883 we now have three general supply stores, two hotels, two churches, two feed stables, two banks, one opera hall, a good brass band of twenty-four members and

other things that make up an inland town of 250 inhabitants in Craig and vicinity. [He omitted to tell of the newspaper.] Our resources are the cattle industry. We have extensive coal lands in this county, also gold mines and of late oil has been discovered. A line of railroad has been surveyed through this county. And there is a great prospect before us."

Three brothers and a sister have since located on farms in that vicinity.

*Children:*

Elvie Grace, b. June 30, 1892.

Howard Newton, b. May 29, 1894; d. Feb. 27, 1896.

Avis May, b. Nov. 9, 1897.

Eunice Eliza Jane, b. Oct. 29, 1900.

581a Franklin Benjamin<sup>s</sup> Ranney (brother to Edwin Jesse), b. Sept. 21, 1854, near Grand Rapids, Mich.; m. 1888, Agnes M. Sturdevant, b. Dec. 12, 1874, d. June 14, 1907, dau. of Attorney Henry F. Sturdevant and Lilly McCourtney of Steamboat Landing, Col. He settled on a ranch adjoining Craig, Col., valued at \$12,000, but now resides in Craig, devoting himself to botanical and geological research in summer and in winter exercising himself as a taxidermist, having an extensive collection of mounted deer, elk, and antelope. Res. Craig, Col.

581b Cora Eliza<sup>s</sup> Ranney (sister to Edwin Jesse), b. Apr. 11, 1865, Belding, Mich.; m. 1895, Craig, Col., Archibald McLachlan, b. Feb. 28, 1847, Pictou, Nova Scotia son of William McLachlan and Jane Stewart, both b. in Scotland. She had been housekeeper for her father till 1890, when she went to Craig. He rem. 1883 to Craig, conducts a sawmill and lumber business, and is extensively engaged in raising stock. Mem., 1906-7, of Legislature. Res. Craig, Col.

*Children:*

Andre Ira, b. Feb. 21, 1896.

Archibald Hunt, b. Jan. 8, 1898.

Cora Alma, b. Sept. 21, 1899.

Edwin Theodore, b. Sept. 27, 1901.

581c Charles Allen<sup>s</sup> Ranney (brother to Edwin Jesse), b. May 1, 1867. At the age of 17 he began to teach near Baldwin, Mich., and remained there till 1883. In 1890 he rem. to Craig, Col., and became principal of the Craig school. In 1899 he purchased the Craig pharmacy, and in 1903 sold it out and purchased a ranch of 200 acres, where he keeps a "typical Western road ranch house

where many a weary traveller finds rest and a square meal," besides being engaged in raising stock and grain; Rep., unm. Res. Craig, Col.

582 Joseph Lyman<sup>8</sup> Ranney (Samuel Allen<sup>7</sup>, Joseph<sup>6</sup>, George<sup>5</sup>, George<sup>4</sup>, George<sup>3</sup>, Thomas<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>), b. Apr. 6, 1838, Goshen, Mass.; m. Nov. 27, 1862, Ashburnham, Mass., Julia Amanda Green, b. Jan. 5, 1843, Leyden, Mass.; d. June 27, 1899, Florence, Mass., dau. of Joseph Green and Eliza Jane Chapin. Supt. of silk mill, Rep.; d. Dec. 1, 1885, Florence, Mass.

*Children:*

Walter Lyman, b. Aug. 27, 1863, Florence, Mass.; m. Nov. 27, 1884, Orange, Mass., Jessie Mary Dike, b. Sept. 21, 1865, Montague, Mass., dau. of Joseph Dike and Frances Maria Wright. Pur. Agt. New Home Sewing Machine Co., Rep., F. & A. M., I. O. O. F., I. O. R. M. She is mem. Women's Relief Corps; res. Orange, Mass.

*Children:*

Vesta Frances, b. Sept. 16, 1892; d. Nov. 7, 1894.

Milo Joseph, b. Jan. 27, 1897; d. Sept. 14, 1900.

Frederick Chester, b. Apr. 8, 1898.

Lena Julia, b. Mar. 13, 1876, Florence, Mass.; m. June 20, 1900, Edward Augustus Haven, b. Dec. 18, 1870, Florence; bookkeeper, Unit., Dem., F. & A. M., O. E. S.; res. Florence, Mass.

583 Edward Willis<sup>8</sup> Ranney (brother to Joseph Lyman), b. Aug. 9, 1843, Goshen, Mass.; m. Jan. 1, 1866, Leyden, Mass., Prudence Elvira Thorne, b. Aug. 10, 1843; d. Oct. 30, 1904, dau. of Crandall Thorne and Mary Rounds. Rem. 1851, to Ashfield, Mass. 1862, to Florence, Mass., 1872 to Springfield, Mass. Machinist, Cong., Rep.; res. Springfield, Mass.

*Children:*

Arthur Edward, b. Aug. 2, 1867, Florence, Mass.; m. Oct. 30, 1889, Phebe Jane Hall, b. Mar. 18, 1868, Westerly, R. I., dau. of Lyman Emery Hall and Lucy Carter. Teller in bank, F. & A. M.; res. Springfield, Mass.

*Children:*

Helen Louise, b. Feb. 16, 1891.

Beatrice Vincent, b. June 2, 1898.

Willis Leland, b. Jan. 29, 1878, Springfield, Mass. Music teacher, F. & A. M., unm.; res. Springfield, Mass.

584 Josephine Idella<sup>8</sup> Ranney (sister to Joseph Lyman), b. Nov. 9, 1851, Ashfield, Mass.; m. June 28, 1898, Nelson Martin Van Buren Walden, b. Mar. 12, 1835, North Adams, Mass., son of Job Walden and Eunice Baxter. Farmer, Bapt. No children; res. Ashfield, Mass.

585 Elbridge Allyn<sup>8</sup> Kingman (Sarah Amelia<sup>7</sup> Ranney, Joseph<sup>6</sup>, George<sup>5</sup>, George<sup>4</sup>, George<sup>3</sup>, Thomas<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>), b. Aug. 15, 1847; m. (1) Oct. 9, 1872, Portland, Me., Annie Lizzie Nash, b. Jan. 4, 1852, Portland; d. Aug. 28, 1888, West Newton, Mass., dau. of Oliver Moses Nash; m. (2) Oct. 12, 1889, Hingham, Mass., Mary Clark Humphrey, dau. of Edwin and Myra Humphrey; res. Belmont, Mass.

*Children by first marriage:*

Son, b. Nov. 28, 1874; d. soon.

Marion Hattie, b. Oct. 29, 1876; unm.; res. Cambridge, Mass.

Lester Allyn, b. Aug. 25, 1879; m. Nov. 9, 1904, Mt. Vernon, N. Y., Florence Elizabeth Ludwig, b. Sept. 7, 1882, Chicopee, Mass., dau. of Frank Ludwig and Ida Jane Richardson. Accountant; res. Brooklyn, N. Y.

*Children by second marriage:*

Myra Humphrey, b. June 16, 1891.

586 Henry Sears<sup>8</sup> Ranney (Alonzo Franklin<sup>7</sup>, George<sup>6</sup>, George<sup>5</sup>, George<sup>4</sup>, George<sup>3</sup>, Thomas<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>), b. July 10, 1838, Phelps, N. Y.; m. Mary Hyslop; res. Dansville, Mich.

*Children:*

Arthur, b. 1869.

Nettie, b. 1871; m. 1893, Amaziah Benham.

Frank, b. 1873.

Eva, b. 1877.

Ralph, b. 1880.

587 Horace Peck<sup>8</sup> Ranney (brother to Henry Sears), b. June 15, 1840, Phelps, N. Y.; m. Jan. 17, 1871, Phelps, Harriet Newell Short, b. July 9, 1845, Phelps; d. Mar. 29, 1893, Hillsdale, Mich. He rem. 1872 to Hillsdale, Mich.; farmer; res. Hillsdale, Mich.

*Children:*

Belle Phylena, b. Dec. 30, 1871; m. Rev. A. L. Kennan, a Baptist missionary, Lalgur, Midnapore, India. He grad.



- at Hillsdale Coll., and is M. D., from Chicago Med. College. *Children:*  
 Ada Belle, b. Mar. 18, 1897.  
 Albert Ranney, b. Nov. 9, 1899.  
 Floyd, b. Jan. 2, 1903.  
 Josephine, b. July 17, 1873; unm., artist, has won oratorical prizes, prominent in literary clubs; res. Grand Rapids, Mich.  
 Hattie Minerva, b. May 23, 1875.  
 Mae Elizabeth, b. June 24, 1883.  
 Clifford Horace, b. Sept. 4, 1888.

588 Ella Isabel<sup>s</sup> Ranney (sister to Henry Sears), b. Apr. 17, 1844, Phelps, N. Y.; m. Mar. 17, 1875, Hamilton McBurney, b. Apr. 17, 1844, Hattersbay, Canada, son of Robert McBurney of Scotch-Irish descent; stone dealer and contractor, Rep., Presby., F. & A. M.; d. Sept. 3, 1887. Widow res. Phelps, N. Y.

*Children:*

- Howard Hamilton, b. Dec. 11, 1875; unm.  
 Ina Maud, b. Feb. 2, 1878; unm.

589 Emory Dayton<sup>s</sup> Ranney (brother to Henry Sears), b. May 10, 1857, Hopewell, N. Y.; m. (1) Jan. 8, 1879, Phelps, N. Y., Jennie Jones, b. 1856, Newark, N. Y.; d. Apr. 8, 1890, dau. of Reuben and Rhoda Jones; m. (2) Sept. 23, 1891, Marbletown, N. Y., Fannie Rush, b. 1862, Phelps, N. Y., dau. of George and Josephine Rush. She is Bapt. and Maccabees. He is Rep., Bapt., K. of M., I. O. O. F.; res. Clifton Springs, N. Y.

*Children by first marriage:*

- Neva Maud, b. Nov. 8, 1879; m. June 18, 1902, Edward R. Allison; res. Canandaigua, N. Y.  
 Mabel, b. Sept. 11, 1881; m. Jan. 9, 1901, Fred Fiero; res. Canandaigua, N. Y.  
 Jessie, b. Oct. 25, 1883; m. Nov. 15, 1905, Raymond Edwards. Real estate; res. Los Angeles, Cal. *Child:*  
 Marion R., b. Dec. 29, 1906.  
 Ross Emory, b. Dec. 21, 1885; unm.; res. San Bernardo, Cal.

*Children by second marriage:*

- Lynda Edith, b. Aug. 4, 1892.  
 Lester H., b. Sept. 28, 1899.

590 Frank Herbert<sup>s</sup> Ranney (Harrison Jackson<sup>7</sup>, George<sup>6</sup>, George<sup>5</sup>, George<sup>4</sup>, George<sup>3</sup>, Thomas<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>), b. Apr. 15, 1857, Hillsdale, Mich.; m. Mar. 3, 1880, Hastings, Mich., Frances Josephine Smith, b. May 1, 1858, Allen, Mich., dau. of Sydney R. Smith and Hannah Nicloy. Sec. Wholesale Coal Corp., Del., 1902, to Nat. Rep. Conv., Co. Supt. of Schools, 1894-98, Rep., F. & A. M., Cong. Res. Chicago, Ill.

*Children:*

Ralph Edwin, b. Jan. 16, 1881.  
 Merritt Charles, b. June 17, 1883.  
 Lucius Silas, b. Nov. 13, 1885.  
 Harrison Smith, b. Sept. 17, 1887.

591 Fred Albert<sup>s</sup> Ranney (brother to Frank Herbert), b. May 29, 1859, Hillsdale, Mich.; d. Dec. 14, 1903, St. Cloud, Minn.; m. Nov. 24, 1881, Clearwater, Mich., Jane Elizabeth Jenks, b. Nov. 24, 1858, Fair Haven, Minn., dau. of James Jenks and Sarah Elizabeth Noyes. Mgr. Milling Co., Rep., F. & A. M., Cong. Widow res. St. Cloud, Minn.

*Children:*

James Albert, b. Feb. 8, 1886; m. Apr. 8, 1907.  
 Belle Beatrice, b. Aug. 11, 1889.  
 Helen Elizabeth, b. June 20, 1892.  
 Mary Marguerite, b. Dec. 14, 1894.  
 Harold Frederick, b. Dec. 31, 1902.

592 Mary Minetta<sup>s</sup> Ranney (sister to Frank Herbert), b. Mar. 13, 1861, Hillsdale, Mich.; m. Sept. 11, 1884, Clearwater, Minn., Charles D. Whittemore, b. Mar. 13, 1861, Hillsdale, Mich.; banker, F. & A. M.; res. Clearwater, Minn.

*Child:*

Maude Eleanor, b. Sept. 9, 1885.

593 Sophie Leight<sup>s</sup> Ranney (Willis<sup>7</sup>, Roswell<sup>6</sup>, Thomas<sup>5</sup>, George<sup>4</sup>, George<sup>3</sup>, Thomas<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>), b. Sept. 11, 1838, Louisville, Ky.; m. Dec. 3, 1857, Louisville, Preston Rogers, b. Apr. 6, 1835, Louisville; Dem., Epis.; res. Louisville, Ky.

*Children:*

Josephine Preston, b. Sept. 28, 1858; m. June 4, 1884,  
 Walter Rawlings Hill. With R. R. Co., Dem., Epis.  
 Res. Louisville, Ky. *Child:*

Sophie Preston, b. June 15, 1895.

Ella Ranney, b. Aug. 16, 1860; m. Nov. 18, 1890, William Paca Lee. Treas. Louisville Gas. Co., Dem., Epis.; res. Louisville, Ky. *Child:*

Sophie Rogers, b. July 30, 1895.

Addie Jacob, b. Nov. 23, 1862.

594 Sarah Leight<sup>s</sup> Ranney (sister to Sophie), b. June 8, 1844, Louisville, Ky.; m. May 27, 1875, Franklin Spalding Davis, b. \_\_\_\_\_, Vt.; d. Nov. 28, 1890, Memphis Tenn. Banker. Widow res. Louisville, Ky.

595 Edward Ellicott<sup>s</sup> Ranney (brother to Sophie), b. Aug. 25, 1851, Louisville, Ky.; m. (1) Dec. 28, 1881, Margaret Hamilton, b. \_\_\_\_\_; d. June, 1897, dau. of George Washington Thornton and Margaret Hamilton; m. (2) Feb. 7, 1901, Kate Ruhkamp. Asst. paymaster L. & N. R. R. Co.; Dem., Epis., F. & A. M. Res. Louisville, Ky.

*Child:*

Willis Edward, b. Feb. 7, 1902.

596 Willis Madison<sup>s</sup> Ranney (Madison<sup>7</sup>, Roswell<sup>6</sup>, Thomas<sup>5</sup>, George<sup>4</sup>, George<sup>3</sup>, Thomas<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>), b. Feb. 3, 1846, Worcester, Mass.; m. Dec. 27, 1870, Somerville, Mass., Mary Frances Alexander, b. Oct. 11, 1844, Derry, N. H., dau. of Josiah Worcester Alexander and Sarah Abigail Cole. Mr. Ranney at time of death, Dec. 17, 1898, was senior partner in the Willis M. Ranney Coal Co. Had early been a promoter of telephone enterprises. In 1867 was mem. of 7th Reg. N. Y. N. G. Rem. 1870 to So. Framingham, Mass. F. & A. M., K. of H., K. of P., Chr. Bd. of Selectmen at time of death. Stores closed during the funeral. Widow res. So. Framingham, Mass.

*Children:*

Willis Madison, b. Aug. 16, 1877; clerk, unm.; res. So. Framingham.

Roswell Valentine, b. Feb. 14, 1879; clerk in Boston Banking House, unm.; res. So. Framingham, Mass.

597 Mary Ellen<sup>s</sup> Wilson (Mary<sup>7</sup> Ranney, Roswell<sup>6</sup>, Thomas<sup>5</sup>, George<sup>4</sup>, George<sup>3</sup>, Thomas<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>), b. Aug. 11, 1840, Ashfield, Mass.; d. Nov. 19, 1872; m. May 14, 1862, Leyden, Mass., Charles Earl Severance, M. D., b. Aug. 7, 1834, Leyden, Mass., son of Chester and Martha Severance. Epis., Rep., physician. He rem. to Brattleboro, Vt., where he d. June 20, 1907.

*Children:*

- Earl Clarendon, b. Feb. 9, 1864; drowned May, 1877.  
 Martha Helen, b. Oct. 12, 1868, Shelburne Falls, Mass.; m.  
 July 29, 1899, Brattleboro, Vt., Fred Osborne Brown, b.  
 Jan. 17, 1872, son of Frederick L. and Isadore Osborn  
 Brown, of Vernon, Vt. Railroad clerk, Rep., Epis.;  
 res. Northampton, Mass. *Children:*  
 Isadore Osborn, b. June 24, 1900.  
 Earl Severance, b. Feb. 14, 1902.

598 Charles Milo<sup>s</sup> Wilson, M. D. (brother to Mary Ellen), b.  
 Feb. 19, 1852, Shelburne Falls, Mass.; m. Apr. 30, 1877, Brattle-  
 boro, Vt., Lucia B. Perry, b. July 9, 1858, Bolton, Vt.; d. May 16,  
 1896, Shelburne Falls, dau. of David Perry and Emily Le Grow.  
 F. & A. M., I. O. O. F., Dem. Was Pension Examiner, 1884-88  
 in Kan. Ret. 1895 to Shelburne Falls. Rem. 1900, to Cannons-  
 burg, Mich., where he is in practice.

*Children:*

- Perry Charles, b. May 21, 1880; served in 2d Mass. Reg. in  
 Spanish-American War. Res Saginaw, Mich.  
 Earl Joseph, b. Dec. 5, 1881. Res. Toronto, Can.  
 Harold Davis, b. May 10, 1884. Student Tufts College.  
 Minnie Ellen, b. July 5, 1886. Res. Ann Arbor, Mich.

599 Nathan Howes<sup>s</sup> Ranney (Francis<sup>r</sup>, Giles<sup>e</sup>, Francis<sup>s</sup>, George<sup>t</sup>,  
 George<sup>3</sup>, Thomas<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>), b. Sept. 12, 1834, So. Ashfield,  
 Mass.; d. May 22, 1890, Easthampton, Mass.; m. (1) Mar., 1859,  
 Sophia Thayer, b. Williamsburg, Mass.; d. Sept., 1863, dau. of  
 Joseph and Orrel Thayer; m. (2) Jan. 30, 1865, Susan Jane Clag-  
 horn, b. June 7, 1838, Cummington, Mass.; d. Jan. 3, 1871, East-  
 hampton, dau. of Benjamin and Esther Claghorn; m. (3) Sept.  
 20, 1871, Martha Bethia Gaylord, b. Oct. 8, 1849, No. Hadley,  
 Mass.; d. Mar. 8, 1893, dau. of Timothy and Elvira Gaylord.

*Children by 2d marriage:*

- Susan Sophia, b. Aug. 23, 1868. Teacher Easthampton,  
 Mass.  
 Nellie, b. Oct. 19, 1870; d. Apr. 5, 1871.

*Children by third marriage:*

- Emma Eliza, b. May 11, 1874; d. Sept. 1, 1874.  
 Frank Howes, b. July 23, 1876.  
 Harland Gaylord, b. Jan. 7, 1881; m. May 2, 1906, Annie

Marsh, b. Aug. 27, 1880, No. Hatfield, Mass., dau. of George and Maria Marsh. Res. Easthampton, Mass.  
*Child:*

Ruth, b. June 10, 1907.

Willis Nathan, b. Sept. 9, 1882; d. Mar. 25, 1883.

Rupert Aubrey, b. Feb. 5, 1885. Adopted by W. J. Marsh.  
Res. No. Amherst, Mass.

600 Henry Charles<sup>s</sup> Ranney (brother to Nathan Howes), b. June 29, 1838, So. Ashfield, Mass.; m. June 3, 1862, Northampton, Mass., Sarah Goodell, b. Oct. 27, 1836, So. Hadley, Mass., dau. of Nathaniel Goodell and Almira Smith. Rep., Cong., living on the farm owned by his father 82 years ago, So. Ashfield, Mass. P. O. Williamsburg, Mass.

*Children:*

Mary Almira, b. Aug. 5, 1863; d. July 17, 1865.

William Henry, b. June 23, 1866, So. Ashfield; m. Jan. 1, 1901, Amherst, Mass., Susan Billings, b. Jan. 1, 1883, Amherst, dau. of William Billings and Jane Holmes. Rep., F. & A. M., Cong., Grange, Supt. of "Hood" farm, Derry, N. H. *Children:*

Roland Henry, b. Apr. 3, 1902.

Grace Howes, b. May 15, 1906.

Lizzie Goodell, b. July 18, 1868; unm.; res. on home farm.

601 Anna Thankful<sup>s</sup> Ranney (sister to Nathan Howes), b. Sept. 28, 1841, So. Ashfield, Mass.; m. Oct. 15, 1867, Lyman Albert Bradford, b. Oct. 15, 1842, Conway, Mass.; d. Apr. 30, 1892, Buckland, Mass. He rem. 1875, from Conway to Northampton, in 1880 to Buckland. Merchant, private, Co. H, 37th Reg. Mass. Vols. The widow conducts the business in Buckland.

*Children:*

Winfred Albert, b. Jan. 4, 1870; m. Flora Sturtevant, b. 1872, dau. of John Sturtevant and \_\_\_\_\_ White. Res. Easthampton, Mass.

Edward Clayton, b. Oct. 23, 1872; d. Nov. 17, 1905; m. June 23, 1896, Mary Robinson, b. Dec., 1874. Was postmaster in Buckland. Widow res. Buckland. *Children:*

Mildred Evelyn, b. Oct. 4, 1898.

Eleanor Rae, b. Jan. 20, 1901.

Mabelle Marie, b. July 31, 1874; m. July 27, 1904, Dr. John George Greaves, b. Aug. 5, 1862, Penneth, Eng. Physician in Buckland.

Frank Lyman, b. Nov. 4, 1876; unm.; grain merchant, I. O. O. F. Hudson, Mass.

602 Darwin Allen<sup>8</sup> Ranney (James Allen<sup>7</sup>, Giles<sup>6</sup>, Francis<sup>5</sup>, George<sup>4</sup>, George<sup>3</sup>, Thomas<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>), b. May 8, 1847, Ashfield, Mass.; m. Apr. 26, 1871, Alice May Bronson, dau. of Chandler and Parney (Edson) Bronson. Farmer and mfr.; res. Ashfield, Mass.

*Children:*

Harley Cross, b. Aug., 1873; unm.

Leroy Burdelle, b. Oct. 21, 1875; m. Oct. 22, 1903, Grace

Howes Dunham. Res Ashfield. *Children:*

Laurence Leroy, b. June 2, 1904.

Perry Sydney, b. Sept. 5, 1906.

Ethel Maria, b. Feb. 25, 1878; d. Oct. 28, 1880.

603 Hezekiah Bartlett<sup>8</sup> Ranney, M. D. (Joel<sup>7</sup>, Daniel<sup>6</sup>, Francis<sup>5</sup>, George<sup>4</sup>, George<sup>3</sup>, Thomas<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>), b. June 7, 1833, LeRoy, N. Y.; m. ———, Martha Barnett, b. Sept. 14, 1825, Mendon, N. Y.; d. Aug. 13, 1892, dau. of William Barnett, b. Feb. 24, 1796; d. June 6, 1877. Dr. Ranney was a physician and d. Dec. 13, 1882, Edmore, Mich.

*Children:*

George Graham, b. Mar. 27, 1858, Manchester, Ia.; m. Mar.

27, 1890, Hammond, Ind., Matilda Katherine Dreimiller,

b. Dec. 15, 1862, Joliet, Ill., dau. of Peter Joseph

Dreimiller and Anna Augusta Hoffman. Rep., Meth.,

Royal Arcanum, butcher; res. Chicago, Ill. *Children:*

Florence Augusta, b. Apr. 25, 1891.

George Henry, b. Oct. 26, 1893.

Frank, b. 1860; d. 1878.

604 George Emery<sup>8</sup> Ranney (brother to Hezekiah Bartlett), b. June 13, 1839, Batavia, N. Y.; m. Sept. 15, 1869, Lansing, Mich., Isabella E. Sparrow, b. Mar. 7, 1851, Enniscorthy, Ireland, dau. of Bartholomew Sparrow and Sarah Lee. She came with her family in 1858 to Lansing, grad. 1859, at the Michigan Female College.

Previous to her enforced imprisonment and impaired strength, from disease, she had become well and familiarly known, not only in Lansing, but by numerous choice friends in many parts of the State, and many beyond its borders. She early imbibed these interesting traits of character, which showed so conspicuously in her after life. She was a woman of great tenderness of character

and was admirably adapted by her many virtues to dignify and adorn domestic life.

From girlhood she exhibited a thirst and most excellent taste for literature of the highest order. She was a constant reader, and with a most remarkable memory, she became proficient in ancient and modern history, which made her a ready source of reference concerning historical events, of which she could give names, dates and events leading up to them and their results. She enjoyed reading the Bible, not only for its spiritual and devotional value, but as a literary work. The characters of Shakespeare were as familiar to her as her own acquaintances and the works of Dickens and other standard novels were to her as household words.

She was a sufferer from consumption for twelve years, and sojourned in this country and in Europe, where the climate promised relief. She was a mem. of the Episcopal ch. and had been Pres. of Lansing Woman's Club.

Dr. Ranney at the age of seventeen was freight and ticket agent of the R. R. Co. He studied at Stafford, Rushford and Cary Collegiate Seminaries. Studied medicine at the Uni. of Mich. In 1861 he enlisted as a private, Sept. 9, 1861, in the Second Cavalry for three years, being twenty-three years of age at enlistment. His war record as printed by the State of Mich., is as follows:

“Mustered as hospital steward, Oct. 2, 1861. Honorably discharged on account of disability at Cincinnati, Ohio, July 16, 1862. Reentered service in Second Cavalry as Assistant Surgeon. Commissioned June 6, 1863. Mustered June 6, 1863. Commissioned Surgeon, Nov. 15, 1864. Mustered Nov. 25, 1864. Commissioned Surgeon, 136th U. S. Colored Troops. Discharged at Augusta, Ga., January 1, 1866. Served as active Assistant Surgeon much of the time while Hospital Steward. While Assistant Surgeon (May 9, 1864), was made Brigade Surgeon by special order of Medical Director for bravery and efficiency in action on battle field. Served in the dual capacity of Brigade Surgeon and Surgeon of his regiment in Sherman's Campaign against Atlanta in summer of 1864. Promoted Surgeon 2d Cavalry Nov. 15, 1864. Feb. 27, 1865, by special order of Medical Director, was appointed Surgeon in charge of First Division Hospital of the Cavalry Corps, Military Division of the Mississippi, May 1, 1865; was, by special order of Corps Medical Director, placed in charge of the consolidated Division Hospitals of the Corps. Awarded medal of honor by Congress by direction of the President “for most distinguished gallantry in action at Resaca, Ga., May 14, 1864.” Taken prisoner in battle of Chickamauga, Sept. 20, 1863. Paroled to attend Federal wounded in field and was then sent to Libby Prison as

a hostage and released Nov. 24, 1863. In Dec. was assigned to duty at Nashville, Tenn., where he organized and had the medical management of 'Convalescent Camp Smith.' In April, 1864, joined his regiment in the Atlanta campaign. Took part in Rosecrans's campaign against Chattanooga in Sherman's campaign against Atlanta, and in the fall and winter of 1864-5 in the engagements, first against Forrest's and then Wheeler's raids in Tennessee. Later in opposing Hood's advance across the Tennessee River to Nashville and in his repulse at Nashville and pursuit back across the Tennessee River; besides the many skirmishes which only for the few contestants employed would rank as engagements. Participated in the siege and capture of New Madrid, Mo.; Rover, Tenn., June 23, 1863; Middleton, Tenn., June 24; Shelbyville, Elk River Ford, Tenn.; Decord, Tenn.; LaFayette, Ga.; Chickamauga, Sept. 18-19-20, 1863; Dug Gap, Ga., May 13-14, 1864; Resaca, Ga.; Caseville, Etowah River, Ga., May 24, 26, 27 and 28; Campbellville, Tenn.; Pulaski, Tenn.; Cypress River, Tenn.; Raccoon Ford, Tenn.; Shoal Creek, Tenn.; Florence, Ala.; Lawrenceburg, Tenn.; Campbellville, Columbia, Tenn., Nov. 25th, 26th and 27, 1864; Franklin, Tenn.; Nashville, Tenn., Dec. 15th and 16, 1864; Richland Creek, Tenn.; Sugar Creek and Selma, Ala.

In Feb., 1866, he established himself as physician and surgeon in Lansing, and assisted in organizing the Michigan State Medical Society, being its secretary for twenty years, and its president in 1891. He has been affiliated with various medical societies of the U. S., and of British Societies, served on the U. S. Pension Board of Examiners. Is a member of the Loyal Legion. Is author of various medical works. He claims that his paper of 1874 antedated all others in conclusively proving that contaminated water is the prolific cause of typhoid fever.

*Children:*

Ralph, b. Aug. 13, 1873; d. Jan. 8, 1893.

Florence, b. Mar. 4, 1881; d. June 4, 1891.

604a Carrie Eloise<sup>8</sup> Ranney (John Alden<sup>7</sup>, Luther<sup>6</sup>, Francis<sup>5</sup>, George<sup>4</sup>, George<sup>3</sup>, Thomas<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>), b. Feb. 8, 1854, Readsboro, Vt.; m. (1) Sept. 26, 1873, Council Bluffs, Ia., Stewart Alexander Patterson, b. Mar. 26, 1848, Davis Co., Ia., son of James Stewart Patterson and Ruth Graham; railway conductor, Rep., Meth., private in 45th Reg. Iowa Vols., d. Sept. 25, 1879; m. (2) Aug. 2, 1882, Omaha, Neb., Charles Albert Frederick, b. Sept. 23, 1853, Winthrop, Ia., son of Henry Albert Frederick and Sarah Love,



editor, Cong., Dem., d. June 20, 1894, Denver, Col. Mrs. Frederick is a writer for magazines, Meth., W. R. C., W. C. T. U. Res. Marshalltown, Ia.

*Children by 1st marriage:*

- Pearl Eloise, b. Aug. 13, 1874; m. Rufus Pryor Windsor, who d. May 3, 1903, Elkton, Col. Widow res. Davenport, Ia.
- Roy Stewart, b. July 16, 1876; m. Apr. 25, 1901, Marshalltown, Ia., Mary Belle Williams, b. June 30, 1875, dau. of Enoch Lester Williams and Sarah Ellen Jones. Pharmacist, Rep. Res. Davenport, Ia. *Child:*  
Donald Roy, b. July 12, 1905.
- Herbert Whittemore, b. Oct. 24, 1878; unm.; machinist, Rep. Res. Kellogg, Ia.

*Children by 2d marriage:*

- Pauline Love, b. June 20, 1884; d. Mar. 31, 1902; m. Feb. 21, 1901, Gunnison, Col., Joseph W. Henderson, b. Jan., 1879, St. Louis, Mo. Miner, Dem. In Alaska. *Children:*

Pauline, b. Mar. 24, 1902; only three days old when her mother died; is in care of her aunt, Mrs. Windsor.

604b John Alden<sup>8</sup> Ranney (brother to Carrie Eloise), b. Dec. 1, 1859, Council Bluffs, Ia.; m. Aug. 3, 1890, Denver, Col., Clara L. Dimmitt, b. Mar. 10, 1865, Ky., dau. of Geo. B. Dimmitt. Printer, Univ. Res. Council Bluffs, Ia.

*Children:*

- John Alden, b. Mar. 31, 1891.  
Georgia Priscilla, b. Feb. 17, 1893.

605 Comfort<sup>8</sup> Ranney (Luther Boardman<sup>7</sup>, Comfort<sup>6</sup>, Comfort<sup>5</sup>, Nathaniel<sup>4</sup>, Nathaniel<sup>3</sup>, Thomas<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>), b. Feb. 7, 1838, Boston, O.; m. Dec. 18, 1868, Nevada, O., Mary M. Hesser, b. July 7, 1842, dau. of James W. and Sophia S. Hesser of Carroll Co., O. He has been in the lumbering and flouring business in Mich. since 1870. Res. Dewitt, Mich.

*Children:*

- Luther Boardman, b. Mar. 11, 1870; unm.; res. Elsie, Mich.  
Sarah Marie, b. Dec. 4, 1871; m. Sept. 25, 1901, Frank H. Smith, b. Nov. 10, 1869; farmer; res. Laingsburg, Mich.

*Children:*

Max Ranney, b. Mar. 10, 1903.

Glen Smith, b. May 13, 1906.

Luella S., b. Nov. 4, 1875; m. Feb. 7, 1900, Joseph H. Pel-  
tier; res. Lansing, Mich. *Child:*

Ralph Comfort, b. Oct. 21, 1904.

James C., b. Feb. 16, 1879; unm., grad Akron, O.. Bus. Coll.  
F. & A. M., P. of H.; res. Dewitt, Mich.

606 Luther Kelsey<sup>8</sup> Ranney (brother to Comfort), b. Aug. 19, 1856, Hudson, O.; m. June 15, 1892, Metta M. Ozmun, b. Jan. 23, 1865; d. Aug. 28, 1897. He owns and conducts the ancestral farm, his P. O. being Peninsula, O. He entered Buchtel Coll. to take a classical course and by reason of ill health was forced to return to the farm, where he has a fine library and spends his spare time. Is a close student of the Bible as was his father. He owns the wooden bottle on which is carved N R 1760 N R 1780 C R 1808.

*Children:*

Luther Carroll, b. Mar. 31, 1893.

Newman Clinton, b. Nov. 14, 1895.

Carrie Eliza, b. Feb. 26, 1897.

607 Lucy May<sup>8</sup> Bronson (Ruth Leonora<sup>7</sup> Ranney, Comfort<sup>6</sup>, Comfort<sup>5</sup>, Nathaniel<sup>4</sup>, Nathaniel<sup>3</sup>, Thomas<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>), b. 1838; m. Dec. 12, 1871, Plimmon Henry Dudley, D. C. E., Ph. D., b. May 21, 1843, Freedom, O. City Engineer, Akron, Ohio, 1869 to 1872. Chief Engineer, Valley Railway Co., Ohio, 1872 to 1874. Invented the Dynograph to test the resistance of trains, and found for those composed of several coaches or cars it was not as high per ton as had been estimated. Invented the Track Indicator in 1880, and from the investigations with it, designed for the United States the first 5-inch 80 lb. steel rail, in 1883, which was rolled and laid in 1884. Announced in 1885 from the investigations of decayed cross-ties, that fungi induced the decay of all wood. Designed in 1890 the first 6-inch 100 lb. rail, which was rolled on March 12, 1892. Delegate to the International Railway Congress, Fifth Session, London, 1895. Reporter for U. S. on the "Nature of the Metal for Rails," to the International Railway Congress, Sixth Session, Paris, 1900. Reporter for America on "Rails for Lines with Fast Trains," to the International Railway Congress, Seventh Session, Washington, D. C., 1905. Member of numerous societies.

Mrs. Dudley has degree of Master of Science, mem. D. A. R., and

various societies, author of several volumes of travel. No children; res. New York City.

608 Emily<sup>8</sup> Bronson (sister to Lucy May), b. May 7, 1843, Peninsula, O.; m. Nov. 1, 1864, Arthur Latham Conger, b. Feb. 19, 1838, Boston, O.; d. Feb. 25, 1899, Des Moines, Ia. Lieut. Co. G, 115th Ohio Reg., 1861-65, Co. Treas., Rep., Epis., mfr., I. O. O. F., F. & A. M., K. of P., Loyal Legion, G. A. R. She is D. A. R., W. R. C., Dau. of O. in N. Y., Osteopathic Soc.; res. Cleveland, O.

*Children:*

Kenyon, b. Apr. 26, 1866; m. Sept. 7, 1894, Aime Sanford Ganter, b. Aug. 25, 1866, Iowa City, Ia., dau. of Rev. R. L. Ganter and Henrietta Sanford, Rep., Epis., Loyal Legion; res. Irvington, N. Y. *Child:*

Kenyon, b. May 7, 1897.

E. Irving, b. Aug. 29, 1870; d. Aug. 6, 1871.

Arthur Latham, b. Jan. 29, 1871.

Latham Hubbard, b. Apr. 29, 1878; m. Jan. 12, 1905, Lexington, Ky., Jane Todd Watson, b. Oct. 27, 1882, Lexington, Ky., dau. of James L. Watson and Mary Hanna Todd. Rep., Epis., F. & A. M. In railroad business; res. Lexington, Ky.

609 Frank Moses<sup>8</sup> Ranney (Moses<sup>7</sup>, Comfort<sup>6</sup>, Comfort<sup>5</sup>, Nathaniel<sup>4</sup>, Nathaniel<sup>3</sup>, Thomas<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>), b. Dec. 23, 1852, Macedonia, O.; m. Jan. 29, 1880, Aurora, O., Jennie Elizabeth Fobare, b. June 15, 1856, Waddington, N. Y., dau. of Francis Fobare and Katherine McGinnis. Mr. Ranney in 1880 formed a mercantile partnership with his brother in Macedonia. Both rem., 1887, to Lima, O., in same business. In 1890 he rem. to Akron, O., and conducted a wholesale and retail business, which he sold out in 1900. Is a prominent merchant in Akron, O.

*Children:*

Archie Edward, b. Feb. 7, 1882.

Marcella Edna, b. Oct. 12, 1883; m. Mar. 1, 1906, Harry Earl Peet, b. June 14, 1881, Richwood, O., son of William Peet and Lida Marriott, of English ancestry. Mgr. Chicago Branch of "Swinehart Clincher Tire and Rubber Co." Res. Chicago, Ill. *Child:*

Marian, b. Jan. 13, 1907.

Luella Frank, b. July 3, 1887.

Arthur Fobare, b. Feb. 17, 1889.

Ruth Leonora, b. Aug. 6, 1893.

610 Jake Luther<sup>8</sup> Ranney (brother to Frank Moses), b. July 16, 1855, Macedonia, O.; m. Mar. 13, 1884, "Clifford Farm," Northfield, O., Pearl Moore Clifford, b. June 27, 1864, "Clifford Farm," Northfield, O., dau. of James Cole Clifford and Irene Josephine Hull. 1873-82, blacksmith; 1882-1900, merchant; 1900-04, at leisure. Rep., F. & A. M. 1907 in business, Macedonia, O.

*Children:*

Clifford J., b. July 31, 1892; d. Oct. 12, 1892.  
Roger Clifford, b. Apr. 6, 1897.

610a Fred Egbert<sup>8</sup> Ranney (brother to Frank Moses), b. Mar. 28, 1858, Macedonia, O., m. (1) Mar. 20, 1881, Macedonia, Lillian Munn, b. Sept. 15, 1859; d. Sept. 6, 1901, dau. of Hiram and Esther Munn; m. (2) Aug. 18, 1902, Akron, O., Helen Kimpflin, b. Apr. 11, 1875, dau. of Jos. B. and Beatrice Kimpflin; res. Boston, Mass.

*Child by first marriage:*

Fred Egbert, b. Sept. 19 1882; d. Jan. 15, 1883.

*Children by second marriage:*

Moses Fred, b. Mar. 29, 1904.  
Cecilia Anne, b. Feb. 23, 1907.

611 Eva May<sup>8</sup> Ranney (Charles Ebenezer<sup>7</sup>, Ores<sup>6</sup>, Ebenezer<sup>5</sup>, Elijah<sup>4</sup>, Richard<sup>3</sup>, John<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>), b. June 30, 1855, Stockbridge, N. Y.; m. (1) Edward Stewart, b. Sept. 3, 1845; d. Oct. 13, 1875, Stockbridge, N. Y., son of Almon Stewart; m. (2) Mar. 27, 1878, Elmer Eaton, b. May 15, 1843, son of Justus Eaton. Res. Vernon Centre, N. Y.

*Child by first marriage:*

Daisy Elizabeth, b. July 26, 1875; unm.; res. Vernon Centre, N. Y.

*Children by second marriage:*

Lena Marble, b. Jan. 7, 1882.  
Lillian Cecile, b. May 1, 1884; m. Gardner Adams.  
Charlotte May, b. Sept. 19, 1887.  
Bernice Lenella, b. Oct. 13, 1889.  
Merlin Elmer, b. Aug. 19, 1892.

612 Marcus H.<sup>8</sup> Ranney (Hiram H.<sup>7</sup>, Hiram<sup>6</sup>, Ebenezer<sup>5</sup>, Elijah<sup>4</sup>, Richard<sup>3</sup>, John<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>), b. Sept. 27, 1862, Devil's Lake, Wis.; m. June 19, 1901, Cortland, N. Y., Mary Louise Don-

nelly, b. 1869, Syracuse, N. Y., dau. of Thomas Donnelly and Josephine Sullivan. Parents rem. to Mohawk, N. Y., soon after his birth. He att. Peekskill Mil. Acad. and grad. 1885, at Rensselaer Polytechnic Inst., Troy, N. Y. Since then has followed the profession of civil and mining engineering, on engineer force of N. Y. State; U. S. Asst. Eng. on River and Harbor work, constructing engineer on waterworks and sewer construction for municipalities, Supt. and Gen. Mgr. of Calendar Gold Mining Co., of Jamestown, Col.; and Pres. and Gen. Mgr. Winnemucca Gold Mining Co., Kennedy, Nevada. F. & A. M., R. A. M., Delta Tau Delta, Troy, N. Y. Res. Mohawk, N. Y.

613 John C.<sup>8</sup> Ranney (brother to Marcus H.), b. Aug. 18, 1876, Mohawk, N. Y.; m. Oct. 11, 1899, Johnstown, N. Y., Laura Bell Henry, b. May 13, 1875, Johnstown, dau. of Stuart Henry and Lucy Baker. Rep., F. & A. M., grad. Rensselaer Poly. Inst., Troy, coal merchant; res. Mohawk, N. Y.

614 Amelia Coolman<sup>8</sup> Ranney (Henry Clay<sup>7</sup>, Elijah Warren<sup>6</sup>, Rufus<sup>5</sup>, Elijah<sup>4</sup>, Richard<sup>3</sup>, John<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>), b. Aug. 7, 1855, Warren, O.; m. Nov. 26, 1884, Cleveland, O., Horace Bassett<sup>6</sup> Corner, b. June 26, 1846, McConnellsville, O. Banker, Rep., with Citizens Savings and Trust Co. for thirty-six years; res. Cleveland, O.

*Children:*

Kenneth Ranney, b. Oct. 7, 1886.  
Horace Ranney, b. May 15, 1889.

[CORNER LINEAGE—William<sup>1</sup> Corner, b. about 1695, England; d. 1767; m. \_\_\_\_\_, b. 1697, d. Dec. 31, 1792, aged about ninety-five.

George<sup>2</sup>, b. about 1720, England; m. Martha Dumville. *Children:* Matthew, William<sup>3</sup>, George, Ellen, Elizabeth Mary, Martha, Sarah. He died in 1795.

William<sup>3</sup>, b. Oct. 21, 1761, Macclesfield, Cheshire, Eng.; m. 1782, Mary Broadhurst, b. Oct. 10, 1764. He d. July 16, 1795, McKee's Ferry, Bradford Co., Pa. She m. (2) 1796, Israel Stone, and d. July 8, 1825, McConnellsville, O. *Children:* George, Sarah, Mary, William, Ann Maria, Edwin<sup>4</sup>, Emma.

Edwin<sup>4</sup>, b. June 16, 1793, near Macclesfield, Eng.; m. (1) Nov. 19, 1820, Rachel Howe, b. Mar. 10, 1803; d. Mar. 10, 1835; m. (2) Oct. 7, 1835, Belinda Deval, b. Dec. 31, 1806, d. Feb. 26, 1874, Waterford, O.; he d. Mar. 11, 1881, Columbus, O., buried in Green-

lawn Cemetery, Columbus, O. *Children:* William Merrill<sup>5</sup>, Elizabeth, Alice, Cassius Clay, Eliza, Edwin, Charles.

William Merrill<sup>5</sup>, b. Jan. 8, 1822, McConnellsville, O.; d. Feb. 17, 1900; m. (1) Apr. 3, 1845, N. Y. City, Mary Trow Bassett, b. Dec. 18, 1818, Hawley, Mass.; d. Dec. 10, 1895, Savannah, Ga. *Children:* Horace Bassett<sup>6</sup> and Charles.]

615 Helen Gertrude<sup>8</sup> Ranney (sister to Amelia Coolman), b. May 10, 1866, Ravenna, O.; m. Sept. 28, 1892, Cleveland, O., Fred T. Sholes, b. Sept. 2, 1857. Banker; res. Cleveland, O.

*Children:*

Katherine Estey, b. July 7, 1893.

Helen Ranney, b. July 16, 1896.

Mary Gertrude, b. Jan. 21, 1899.

616 Helen Burgess<sup>8</sup> Ranney (sister to Amelia Coolman), b. Jan. 19, 1878, Cleveland, O.; m. Apr. 10, 1907, Cleveland, Dr. Second Herbert Large. Res. Cleveland, O.

616a Nellie Blanche<sup>8</sup> Ranney (Joel Cyrus<sup>7</sup>, Joel<sup>6</sup>, Joel<sup>5</sup>, Stephen<sup>4</sup>, John<sup>3</sup>, John<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>), b. Oct. 14, 1878, Ames, Kan.; m. Aug. 31, 1895, John Ira Miller, b. Oct. 5, 1874, Kan., son of A. W. and Frances Miller. Res. Ames, Kan.

*Children:*

Zella Irene, b. Jan. 1, 1898.

Nellie Clare, b. Oct. 27, 1899.

Lillian Lucille, b. Nov. 8, 1901.

Fay Clark, b. Apr. 15, 1904.

Jewell Blanche, b. Oct. 22, 1906.

616b Edith Josephine Ranney (sister to Nellie Blanche), b. Mar. 17, 1880, Ames, Kan.; m. Aug. 19, 1900, Malcolm Oron Bland, b. July 2, 1882, Cloud Co., Kan., son of J. O. D. Bland and Mary Gentry. Res. Concordia, Kan.

*Children:*

Marjorie, b. Dec. 23, 1901.

Rachel, b. May 30, 1904.

Joel M., b. Mar. 25, 1907.

618 Cornelia Alice<sup>8</sup> Ranney (Charles Percival<sup>7</sup>, Rufus Percival<sup>6</sup>, Rufus<sup>5</sup>, Elijah<sup>4</sup>, Richard<sup>3</sup>, John<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>), b. July 6, 1875.

Cleveland, O.; m. Jan. 2, 1902, John Nelson Stockwell 2d, b. Apr. 11, 1872, Cleveland, O., son of John Nelson Stockwell, astronomer, and Sarah Healy, both from Northampton, Mass; attorney-at-law, Western Reserve Uni., B. L., 1895, LL. B. Cornell Uni., 1897; Bd. of Edu. 1902-1905; Mem. Leg. of Ohio, 1906-1909; trustee Cleveland Sinking Fund Com., Dem., Epis. Res. Cleveland, O.

*Children:*

Alice Kean, b. Feb. 18, 1903.  
 Katherine Ranney, b. May 25, 1904.  
 John Nelson, 3d, b. Oct. 8, 1906; d. Dec. 2, 1906.

619 Harvey Carlton<sup>8</sup> Bailey (Harriet Edna<sup>7</sup> Cook, Mary Ann<sup>6</sup> Ranney, Abner<sup>5</sup>, Abner<sup>4</sup>, Richard<sup>3</sup>, John<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>), b. Nov. 19, 1874, Sheridan, N. Y.; m. June 26, 1895, Sheridan, N. Y., Myrtle May Tarbox, b. Aug. 26, 1876, Pomfret, N. Y., dau. of John Benjamin Tarbox and Bessie Moore Larder. Farmer, Meth., K. O. T. M. He d. Oct. 14, 1901. Widow res. at Dunkirk, N. Y.

*Children:*

Chester Lawrence, b. Sept. 8, 1896.  
 Carlton Dewey, b. Aug. 5, 1898.  
 John Harvey, b. Feb. 10, 1901.

620 Josephine Julia<sup>8</sup> Hilton (Bernice<sup>7</sup> Ranney, Harmon<sup>6</sup>, Abner<sup>5</sup>, Abner<sup>4</sup>, Richard<sup>3</sup>, John<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>), b. June 15, 1879, Hustler, Wis.; m. June 23, 1893, Forestville, N. Y., Jesse Myron Woodward, b. Aug. 29, 1866, Gowanda, N. Y. Farmer and Rep. She is Bapt.; res. Forestville, N. Y.

*Children:*

Bernice, b. Mar. 14, 1894.  
 Beulah Hinton, b. Oct. 31, 1896.  
 John Cecil, b. Jan. 26, 1899.  
 Cynthia Melissa, b. July 23, 1902.  
 Hinton Joseph., b. May 26, 1904.  
 Ceylon O., b. Mar. 11, 1907.

620a Kate<sup>8</sup> Ranney (Moses<sup>7</sup>, Moses<sup>6</sup>, oseph<sup>5</sup>, Fletcher<sup>4</sup>, Joseph<sup>3</sup>, Joseph<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>), b. Nov. 9, 1845, Cincinnati, O.; m. May 31, 1870, Cincinnati, O., John A. Cochran, b. Mar. 16, 1833, Switzerland Co., Ind. Manufacturer, Epis. ch. warden many years, Rep. He d. May 3, 1907. The widow res. Cincinnati, O.

*Children:*

Blanche Allen, b. May 26, 1872; d. Dec. 5, 1887.

Frank Ranney, b. Feb. 8, 1875; d. June 14, 1875.

John Alexander, b. Aug. 15, 1876; d. May 12, 1884.

621 Clara Frances<sup>s</sup> Ranney (Asa Sage<sup>7</sup>, Calvin<sup>6</sup>, Joseph<sup>5</sup>, Fletcher<sup>4</sup>, Joseph<sup>3</sup>, Joseph<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>), b. Aug. 24, 1848, Howesville, Ky.; m. ————, 1866, New Orleans, Wm. Rufus Adams, editor, who died 1870; m. (2) Nov. 29, 1871, New Orleans, Richard Brennan Cenas, b. 1839, New Orleans. Agent, private Louisiana Guard Battery, from June 20, 1862, to parole at Appomattox Court House, Apr. 9, 1865. Wounded at Gettysburg, July 3, 1863. In battles and skirmishes at Seven Pines, Frazer's Farm, Malvern Hill, Cedar Mountain, Welford's Ford, Bristoe Station, Manassas three days, Harper's Ferry, Sharpsburg, Md., Shepperdstown, Fredericksburg, Chancellorsville, Winchester, Hagerstown, Pa., Gettysburg, Pa., Hunterstown, Pa., Fairfield, Pa., Rappahannock Bridge, Va., Fort Gilmer, Williamsburg, Shirley, Mine Run, Summerville Ford, Appomattox Courthouse. Mrs. Cenas d. July 24 1900, New Orleans. Mr. Cenas is Dem., Epis.; res. New Orleans

*Child by first marriage:*

May V., b. ————, 1868; res. New Orleans.

*Children by second marriage:*

Augusta Black, b. July 9, 1872; m. Paul Emile Mortimer; res. New Orleans, La.

Juanita Maria, b. Feb. 12, 1874; d. June 6, 1875.

Georgia Matile, b. Nov. 4, 1876; m. S. B. Newman; res. N. Y. City.

Clara Porteus, b. Apr. 25, 1879.

Pearl Estelle, b. Sept. 28, 1883; m. May 22, 1907, Alton Huntington Miller, son of Anderson Miller and Dora Richards. Mem. G. A. R. Res. New Orleans.

622 Samuel Wilson<sup>s</sup> Clark (Polinda Eliza<sup>7</sup> Ranney, Norman<sup>6</sup>, Joseph<sup>5</sup>, Fletcher<sup>4</sup>, Joseph<sup>3</sup>, Joseph<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>), b. Mar. 20, 1838, Upper Houses; m. Nov. 19, 1856, Middletown, Conn., Lois Elizabeth Morse, b. Nov. 4, 1837, Guilford, Conn., dau. of Joseph Ira Morse, b. May 24, 1810; d. Aug. 14, 1881. (Jonathan, Jonathan) and Elizabeth<sup>6</sup> Hill (Wm.<sup>5</sup>, Thomas<sup>4</sup>, John<sup>3</sup>, John<sup>2</sup>, John<sup>1</sup>, of Guilford). Mr. Clark as a lad entered the foundry in Upper Houses, then went to Meriden and in 1864 became the foreman in the foundry of P. & F. Corbin and still holds that position. Their





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golden wedding was celebrated on Nov. 19, 1906, with their twelve children and many grandchildren and others present. In April, 1894, Mr. Clark was elected treasurer of the City of New Britain and is reelected from time to time. He is a prominent and popular Republican. He introduced into this State, 1888, the Order of the Knights of the Golden Eagle and has held the highest positions in that order. He is a prominent member of the Masonic Order, having taken the higher degrees and held offices therein, is past patron of Martha Chapter, No. 21, O. E. S.; honorary member of New Britain Council, O. U. A. M., and is a member of Winthrop Council, Daughters of Liberty. Res. New Britain, Conn.

*Children:*

- Lois Eleanora, b. Sept. 10, 1857; m. Mar. 29, 1876, Eugene Steele. No children; res. New Britain, Conn.  
 Samuel Wilson, b. Mar. 29, 1858.  
 706 Theodore Frank, b. Jan. 15, 1861.  
 Walter Bethuel Edward, b. Apr. 12, 1863; unm.; res. New Britain.  
 George McClellan, b. June 24, 1865; unm.  
 707 Lulu Jane, b. Aug. 16, 1867; m. A. F. Schade.  
 708 Charles Frederick, b. Aug. 22, 1869.  
 709 John Wallace, b. Apr. 13, 1872.  
 710 Grace Elizabeth, b. June 15, 1874; m. F. H. Bacon.  
 711 Ernest Joseph, b. Aug. 21, 1876.  
 712 Jesse E., b. Dec. 28, 1878.  
 Alpha Augustus, b. Oct. 23, 1880; Co. F, 17th U. S. R.

623 William Henry<sup>s</sup> Clark (brother to Samuel Wilson), b. Dec. 4, 1840, Upper Houses; m. Jan. 18, 1866, New Britain, Conn., Delia A. Wright, b. Sept. 2, 1832, Rocky Hill, Conn., dau. of Amos Wright and Sarah Kilby. Iron moulder, private, Co. B, 14th Reg. Conn. Vol. Inf., July 29, 1862—May 31, 1865; Rep., Bapt.; res. New Britain, Conn.

*Children:*

- Della Honor, b. Nov. 20, 1866; m. Apr., 1885, Edwin Cooper; res. Glastonbury, Conn. *Children:*  
 Emma Louise, b. Aug. 16, 1886.  
 William Henry, b. Mar. 12, 1888.  
 Russell Columbus, b. ———, 1892.  
 Edwin, b. ———.  
 Charles Edward, b. Feb. 15, 1870; m. June 3, 1896, Hattie I. Hansell; res. Hartford, Conn. *Children:*  
 Hattie Amelia, b. Apr. 9, 1897; d. May 28, 1897.

- Charles Henry, b. Apr. 1, 1898.  
 Marion Gertrude, b. Oct. 18, 1902.  
 Lauretta Mae, b. Oct. 28, 1905.  
 Eva Sadie, b. Jan. 29, 1871; m. (1) Frank C. Helm; m. (2)  
 Morris O. Lee; res. Elmore, Vt.  
 Nellie Gertrude, b. Feb. 11, 1874; unm.; res. New Britain,  
 Conn.

624 Olive Lee<sup>s</sup> Clark (sister to Samuel Wilson), b. Nov. 2, 1857,  
 Cromwell, Conn.; m. Oct. 2, 1873, Hartford, Conn., Charles Ward,  
 b. Feb. 21, 1829, Middletown, Conn., son of Elijah Ward and Sarah  
 A. Hildreth. Stone cutter, Baptist; res. Southington, Conn.

*Children:*

- Charles Thomas, b. Aug. 10, 1874, Cromwell; m. \_\_\_\_\_,  
 Frances C. Booth; res. Southington, Conn. *Child:*  
 Everett Charles, b. Mar. 13, 1906.  
 Edna Mildred, b. Feb. 18, 1879.

625 Sarah E.<sup>s</sup> Baisden (Martha<sup>r</sup> Ranney, William<sup>o</sup>, William<sup>s</sup>,  
 Fletcher<sup>4</sup>, Joseph<sup>3</sup>, Joseph<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>), b. Apr. 26, 1840, Upper  
 Houses; m. Dec. 1, 1869, Cromwell, Conn., Russell Nichols, b.  
 June 8, 1824, Middlefield, Conn.; d. Mar. 13, 1891, son of Syl-  
 vanus and Dianthus (Ward) Nichols. Farmer, Dem., selectman,  
 mem. of P. of H.; she Cong., mem. O. E. S.; res. New Haven,  
 Conn.

*Children:*

- Samuel, b. Aug. 24, 1871.  
 Annie, b. Oct. 1, 1875.

626 Charles William<sup>s</sup> Baisden (brother to Sarah E.), b. May 2,  
 1845, Upper Houses; m. Dec. 19, 1867, New Britain, Conn., Eliza-  
 beth Goodrich, b. 1843, Rocky Hill, Conn. Veterinary surgeon,  
 Cromwell, until 1872; Middletown until 1875, Blandford, Mass.,  
 until 1877. Died Sept. 12, 1886, Middletown, Conn.; Dem., con-  
 stable, F. & A. M.

*Children:*

- Elmer Z., b. Sept. 25, 1868; d. Apr. 1, 1873.  
 Charles S., b. Feb. 9, 1875.

627 Mary E.<sup>s</sup> Baisden (sister to Sarah E.), b. July 6, 1847,  
 Upper Houses; m. Apr. 21, 1867, Charles G. Atkins, b. Sept. 12,  
 1844, son of Linus and Mary Ann (Cone) Atkins. Meat dealer,

Dem., F. & A. M., Red M., K. of P., O. U. A. M. She Cong. and mem. O. E. S.; res Meriden, Conn.

*Children:*

Anna S., b. Oct. 25, 1870; d. Jan. 2, 1872.

Charles O., b. Jan. 23, 1872; d. Oct. 11, 1872.

628 Mary Estella<sup>s</sup> Ranney (Timothy<sup>7</sup>, William<sup>6</sup>, William<sup>5</sup>, Fletcher<sup>4</sup>, Joseph<sup>3</sup>, Joseph<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>), b. July 14, 1845, Upper Houses; m. May 5, 1870, Timothy Dexter Simpson, b. Sept. 7, 1842, Portland, Conn. F. & A. M., Dem., private, Co. H, 1st Conn. H. Art., 1861-5; res. Cromwell.

*Child:*

Katie Florence, b. Feb. 8, 1874; unm.

629 Julia Augusta<sup>s</sup> Ranney (sister to Mary Estella), b. Nov. 3, 1847, Upper Houses; m. (1) June 18, 1872, Springfield, Mass., Isaac H. Warner, b. Feb. 24, 1825, Middletown, Conn.; mfr., 1844-84; d. Dec. 19, 1884; m. (2) George Savage Wilcox, son of Eben Wilcox. He d. ————. She res. Cromwell.

*Child by first marriage:*

Howard Humphrey, b. Jan. 14, 1877; m. Jan. 19, 1898,

Nellie Cutler Bliss, b. Sept. 10, 1875. *Child:*

Helen B., b. Aug. 28, 1901.

629a Kate<sup>s</sup> Ranney (sister to Mary Estella), b. Sept. 24, 1851, Cromwell, Conn.; m. Jan. 21, 1873, Jason J. Wilcox, b. Nov. 11, 1844, Middletown, Conn., son of Jedediah Wilcox and Mary Ann Wilcox. Farmer, Westfield Society of Middletown.

*Children:*

Alice Miriam, b. Oct. 22, 1873, grad., 1894, Mt. Holyoke Seminary; m. June, 1899, Rev. Edward Welles Burleson, son of Rev. Solomon and Abigail Burleson, whose five sons are in the ministry; grad. 1895 Hobart Coll., and 1898 Gen. Theo. Sem. Rector at Jamestown, No. Dakota. *Children:*

Edward Wilcox, b. June 18, 1900.

Theodore Mann, b. Oct. 14, 1902.

Kenneth Pomeroy, b. Apr. 5, 1906.

Julia Myra, b. May 28, 1876; grad. 1901, Wesleyan Uni.

Annie May, b. May 28, 1876; grad. 1898, Northfield Seminary.

630 Eva Florence<sup>8</sup> Blinn (Mary Melissa<sup>7</sup> Ranney, Henry<sup>6</sup>, William<sup>5</sup>, Fletcher<sup>4</sup>, Joseph<sup>3</sup>, Joseph<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>), b. Jan. 21, 1863, Cromwell, Conn.; m. Aug. 8, 1877, Cromwell, John Henry Trent, M. D., b. Apr. 30, 1846, Isle of Wight, Eng.; d. Dec. 4, 1906, Brooklyn, N. Y., son of Mark Trent and Anne Honeybunn. Grad. Wesleyan Uni.; 1876, Long Island Med. Coll. Practiced in Brooklyn till death, had made a study of geology, was a microscopist, and left a large collection of plates and a very extensive and valuable library. Widow res. Brooklyn, N. Y.

*Children:*

Mabel Annie, b. June 20, 1881; m. May 9, 1906, Karl Gustav Küntzler, b. Feb. 6, 1867, Lyszkowic, Poland, Russia, mechanical, F. & A. M., Lutheran; she is Meth. Res. Brooklyn, N. Y.  
Alice Frances, b. Sept. 25, 1887.

630a Daniel H.<sup>8</sup> Blinn (brother to Eva Florence), b. June 3, 1860, Cromwell, Conn.; m. Lelah Furness, b. 1869, dau. of Asa Furness and Augusta Kilbourne. Jeweller; res. Hartford, Conn.

631 Mary Ranney<sup>8</sup> Blinn (sister to Eva Florence), b. Jan. 21, 1863, Cromwell, Conn.; m. Aug. 31, 1887, Cromwell, Frank Elmwood Sanford, b. Oct. 10, 1858, Rootstown, O.; grad. 1882, Penn. State Normal School; 1887, Wesleyan Uni.; Rep., Epis., Supt. of Schools, Washington, Pa., for two years, Prof. of Pedagogy, 1887-90, State Normal School, Millersville, Pa. Since 1890, Supt. of Schools, La Grange, Ill. He is a descendant of Thomas Sanford, a founder of Milford, Conn.

*Children:*

Leigh Russell, b. Aug. 1, 1888.  
Miles Blinn, b. Apr. 11, 1895.  
Trent Elmwood, b. Feb. 21, 1897.  
Evelyn Louise, b. Oct. 16, 1899.

632 Henry Ranney<sup>8</sup> Hale (Caroline Hamlin<sup>7</sup> Ranney, Henry<sup>6</sup>, William<sup>5</sup>, Fletcher<sup>4</sup>, Joseph<sup>3</sup>, Joseph<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>), b. Mar. 5, 1863, Cromwell, Conn.; m. June 27, 1888, Montreal, Canada, Rose B. Swathell, b. Oct. 16, 1865, Southington, Conn., dau. of W. T. Swathell and Esther Rice. In piano business; res. Montreal, Can.

*Children:*

Frank Hallock, b. Mar. 11, 1889.  
Lucy Coe, b. July 14, 1890; d. Sept. 9, 1891.

John Henry, b. Feb. 23, 1892.  
 Harry Ranney, b. Nov. 20, 1893.  
 George McAdie, b. Oct. 4, 1895.

633 Burt Jared<sup>8</sup> Hale (brother to Henry Ranney), b. Jan. 3, 1866, Berlin, Conn.; m. Oct. 17, 1894, Pittsfield, Mass., Martha Louise Gale, b. Sept. 12, 1874, West Stockbridge, Mass., dau. of William Fellows Gale and Chloe Jane Webster. Bank clerk, Dem., F. & A. M.; res. Middletown, Conn.

*Children:*

Ruth Louise, b. Aug. 25, 1895.  
 Rockwell Fellows, b. Dec. 14, 1899.  
 Martha Webster, b. Feb. 22, 1905.

634 Eliza Susan<sup>8</sup> Ranney (William W.<sup>7</sup>, William W.<sup>6</sup>, Charles<sup>5</sup>, Hezekiah<sup>4</sup>, Joseph<sup>3</sup>, Joseph<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>), b. Aug. 17, 1856, Livermore, Ky.; m. July 21, 1880, Grand Meadow, Minn., Ole S. Swenson, b. Nov. 9, 1845, Sfallingdahl, Norway. Chr. Rep. Co. Committee, 1898-1902, Treas., 1888, Minnehaha Co., Minn., 32° F. & A. M., Warden So. Dakota Penitentiary, mem. Cong. ch. Mrs. Swenson began at seventeen to teach school, and continued for seven years. The Swenson family have traced their ancestry to Scotland of 1604, Clements-Sanders clans. Res. Sioux Falls, So. Dakota.

*Children:*

William Louis, b. May 18, 1881; bookkeeper and collector for C. M. & St. Paul R. R. Co.; unm.; res. Sioux Falls, So. Dakota.  
 Ernest Stuart, b. Sept. 19, 1887.  
 Norma Louise, b. Dec. 12, 1889.

635 William Silas<sup>8</sup> Ranney (brother to Eliza Susan), b. July 20, 1859, Livermore, Ky.; m. June 2, 1885, Marietta Blanche Axtell, b. May 28, 1858, Amboy, Ill., dau. of Aaron Axtell and Hannah Melissa Brady. Pharmacist, Rep., Bapt., F. & A. M., I. O. O. F., M. W. A. Died Nov. 20, 1906, Elkton, So. Dakota. Widower res. Elkton, So. Dakota.

*Children:*

Vivian May, b. July 30, 1882.  
 Hallie William, b. Aug. 2, 1884.  
 Marietta Abigail, b. Oct. 29, 1888.

636 Beatrice<sup>8</sup> Atherton (Susan Clark<sup>7</sup> Ranney, William W.<sup>6</sup>,

Charles<sup>5</sup>, Hezekiah<sup>4</sup>, Joseph<sup>3</sup>, Joseph<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>), b. Oct. 21, 1855, Livermore, Ky.; d. June 29, 1891; m. Jan. 31, 1882, Thomas Owen, b. Jan. 5, 1856, Hartford, Ky. Farmer, Rep., Bapt. He res. Livermore, Ky.

*Children:*

Roy, b. Dec. 30, 1882; m. Apr. 1, 1903, Lydia Jarvis, b. Mar. 23, 1885, Livermore, dau. of Jesse Jarvis and Stella Whittaker. Farmer; res. Livermore, Ky. *Child:*  
Downie, b. Apr. 2, 1904.

Carl, b. Dec. 19, 1886; m. May 29, 1907, Ora Lee Owen, b. Feb. 27, 1888, dau. of John Thomas and Eliza Catherine Owen. Bapt., Rep., miller. Res. Utica, Ky.

637 Romeo<sup>8</sup> Atherton (brother to Beatrice), b. June 4, 1857, Livermore, Ky.; m. Nov. 16, 1880, Livermore, Mary Ange Howard, dau. of William Owen Howard and Lucy Atherton. Farmer, Rep., Bapt.; res. Livermore, Ky.

*Children:*

Roll, b. Aug. 29, 1881.  
Otto, b. Aug. 19, 1884.  
Frank, b. June 13, 1889.  
Kelly, b. Jan. 23, 1893.  
Dee, b. Aug. 22, 1896.

638 Vina<sup>8</sup> Atherton (sister to Beatrice), b. Mar. 12, 1859, Livermore, Ky.; m. Jan. 15, 1879, Richardson Thompson Martin, b. Feb. 27, 1841, Muhlenberg Co., Pa. Mfr. of tobacco, Rep., Presby.; res. Greenville, Ky.

*Child:*

Buren, b. Oct. 9, 1882; unm., mfr. of tobacco; res. Greenville, Ky.

639 Zidana<sup>8</sup> Atherton (sister to Beatrice), b. Apr. 8, 1861, Livermore, Ky.; m. Dec. 9, 1880, William McLelan Humphrey, b. Jan. 25, 1861, Livia, Ky.; farmer, Rep., Baptist; res. Nuchols, Ky.

*Children:*

Ina, b. Mar. 26, 1882; m. Fred Settle. Res. Calhoun, Ky.  
Vivia, b. Oct. 6, 1884.  
Bettie Susan, b. Oct. 26, 1886.  
James Ranney, b. Apr. 25, 1890.

640 Vasco<sup>8</sup> Atherton (brother to Beatrice), b. Aug. 15, 1863, Livermore, Ky.; m. (1) Dec. 31, 1891, Fannie Elizabeth Howard,



b. Mar. 5, 1869; d. May 18, 1897, dau. of William Owen Howard and Lucy Atherton; m. (2) Nov. 11, 1899, Flandia Ethel Porter, b. July 14, 1880, dau. of George Gilbert Porter and Margaret Elizabeth Spencer. Farmer, Rep., Baptist; res. Livermore, Ky.

*Child by first marriage:*

Veora, b. Oct. 2, 1894.

*Children by second marriage:*

Nayron Jackson, b. Dec. 7, 1903.

D. M., b. Feb. 6, 1907.

641 Vesta Catherine<sup>s</sup> Atherton (sister to Beatrice), b. June 25, 1869, Livermore, Ky.; m. Nov. 18, 1900, Robert Lee Owen, b. Nov. 18, 1866, Livia, Ky. Engineer, Dem., Bapt.; res. Utica, Ky.

*Children:*

Orra May, b. Apr. 26, 1894.

Hallie Lois, b. Apr. 10, 1897.

642 Orra Storm<sup>s</sup> Atherton (sister to Beatrice), b. Sept. 28, 1871, Livermore, Ky.; m. Mar. 22, 1894, William Barney King, b. Sept. 25, 1870, Livia, Ky. Farmer, Dem., Baptist; res. Livermore, Ky.

*Children:*

Mary Vesta, b. Oct. 3, 1899.

Rena Ranney, b. Oct. 15, 1903.

Pearlie Dane, b. Feb. 18, 1906.

643 Delilah Frances<sup>s</sup> Smith (Isabella<sup>r</sup> Ranney, William W.<sup>e</sup>, Charles<sup>s</sup>, Hezekiah<sup>t</sup>, Joseph<sup>s</sup>, Joseph<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>), b. Nov. 5, 1853, Livermore, Ky.; m. Apr. 4, 1872, Joshua Anderson Miller, b. Apr. 28, 1850, Ohio Co., Ky. Farmer, Dem., local preacher M. E. C. South, chaplain Rocket Lodge F. & A. M. His father served in the Civil War, grandfather was David A. Miller of Virginia. Res. Echols, Ky.

*Children:*

713 Jessie Irene, b. Jan. 10, 1873; m. Albin Shull.

714 Ida Inez, b. Feb. 22, 1875; m. Philip Adam Robertson.

715 Ira Peyton, b. Apr. 10, 1877.

Edna, b. Dec. 2, 1882.

Otto Alvin, b. Jan. 21, 1885.

Herbert, b. Oct. 2, 1887; d. Nov. 18, 1904.

Vera, b. Nov. 10, 1893.

Merle, b. Jan. 21, 1897.

644 Madora Isabella<sup>8</sup> Smith (sister to Delilah Frances), b. Mar. 14, 1859, Livermore, Ky.; m. Sept. 13, 1882, Sanford Pearson Miller. Carpenter, Zion City, Ill.

*Children:*

Roderick Wayne, b. Aug. 20, 1888.  
 Sylvia Bertha, b. Oct. 13, 1890.  
 Charles Ranney, b. Aug. 16, 1892.  
 Horace Mansfield, b. June 11, 1895.

645 Sonora<sup>8</sup> Smith (sister to Delilah Frances), b. Sept. 26, 1864, Select, Ky.; m. Feb. 17, 1887, Matthew Simpson Barnett, b. Jan. 30, 1859, Hartford, Ky. His great grandfather, Henry Stevens and wife, came from Montgomery Co., Md., in 1800 to Ohio Co., Ky. Farmer, Rep., Meth. South; res. Livermore, Ky.

*Children:*

Laura Isabella, b. Dec. 9, 1887.  
 Mabel Katherine, b. Oct. 19, 1890.  
 Robert Henrie, b. Nov. 2, 1892.  
 Morris Simpson, b. Aug. 21, 1896.  
 Jacob Talmadge, b. Apr. 6, 1899.

645a Alice Ranney<sup>8</sup> McPherson (Jenny Mary<sup>7</sup> Ranney, Jabez<sup>6</sup>, Hezekiah<sup>5</sup>, Hezekiah<sup>4</sup>, Joseph<sup>3</sup>, Joseph<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>), b. Nov. 18, 1862, Howell, Mich.; m. July 10, 1888, Howell, Dr. William Crayton Spencer, b. ———, d. 1892, Denver, Col., son of Dr. Henry Norman Spencer and Electa Jane Brown. Widow res. Howell, Mich.

*Children:*

Henry Norman, b. May 9, 1889.  
 William McPherson, b. Oct. 23, 1890.

645b Mary McPherson (sister to Alice Ranney), b. May 22, 1865, Howell, Mich; m. Oct. 11, 1892, Howell, Jay Whiting Bigelow, b. Feb. 6, 1865, Port Huron, Mich, son of Andrew Jackson Bigelow and Antha Lenora Mattison. Res. Marytown, W. Va.

*Children:*

Alice McPherson; b. Apr. 3, 1894.  
 William McPherson, b. Dec. 9, 1896.  
 Mary Lenora, b. Mar. 11, 1903.

646 Mary Elizabeth<sup>8</sup> Wolcot (Martha Ann<sup>7</sup> Hubbard, Abner<sup>6</sup>, Esther<sup>5</sup> Hamlin, Lucretia<sup>4</sup> Ranney, Daniel<sup>3</sup>, Joseph<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>),

b. Jan. 4, 1848, Rochester, N. Y.; m. Oct. 27, 1873, Covington, Ky., William Sparrow, b. July 27, 1845, London, England, son of Jackson Sparrow and Ellen Downton. He came, 1849, from England and resided in Covington until 1886, afterwards in suburbs of Cincinnati. Pres. of J. C. Buckles & Co., General Forwarders, Dem., Epis.; d. Mar. 9, 1894, Atlantic City, N. J. Widow res. in Cincinnati, O.

*Children:*

- 716 Jackson Wolcot, b. Aug. 13, 1874.  
 717 Frederick Wolcot, b. Dec. 7, 1876.  
 718 Millicent Wolcot, b. June 1, 1879; m. F. R. Maguire.

647 James Mortimer<sup>8</sup> Adams (Elizabeth<sup>7</sup> Ranney, James<sup>6</sup>, James<sup>5</sup>, Ebenezer<sup>4</sup>, Ebenezer<sup>3</sup>, Ebenezer<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>), b. June 30, 1863, Cromwell; m. Oct. 18, 1887, Windsor, Conn., Nellie Boyington Harris, b. Oct. 18, 1867, Windsor, Conn., dau. of Ephraim Harris. He has been a compositor on the *Hartford Times* since 1882; res. Hartford, Conn.

*Children:*

- Lillian Elizabeth, b. Jan. 16, 1890; d. Feb. 7, 1890.  
 Harriet Boyington, b. Apr. 25, 1892.  
 Artina Marguerite, b. June 15, 1893.  
 Arthur Ranney, b. Feb. 12, 1896.

648 Samuel Gridley<sup>8</sup> Adams (brother to James Mortimer Adams), b. Aug. 17, 1867, Cromwell; m. Feb. 2, 1898, Lucie Grace Miner, b. Feb. 24, 1872, dau. of Amos Fox Miner and Margaret Maria Tymeson. He has been connected with magazines for many years; res. New Rochelle, N. Y.

*Child:*

- Josephine Janice, b. Feb. 20, 1900.

## NINTH GENERATION.

649 Emma Maria<sup>9</sup> Smith (Susan A.<sup>8</sup> Ranney, Royal<sup>7</sup>, Jeremiah<sup>6</sup>, Stephen<sup>5</sup>, Jeremiah<sup>4</sup>, Thomas<sup>3</sup>, Thomas<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>), b. Jan. 21, 1861, Henderson Co., Ill.; m. Apr. 13, 1881, Albert D. Hawkins, b. June 7, 1855, Mercer Co., Ill. Farmer, Meth.; res. Seaton, Ill.

### *Children:*

Harry E., b. Dec. 10, 1882.  
Fred W., b. June 15, 1887.  
Charles L., b. Nov. 1, 1891.  
William A., b. Aug. 21, 1902.

650 Edward R.<sup>9</sup> Smith (brother to Emma Maria), b. July 29, 1862; m. July 4, 1885, Nettie J. Hawkins, b. Aug. 25, 1863, dau. of David Hawkins and Elizabeth Kyle. Farmer; res. Little York, Ill.

### *Children:*

Ray D., b. Mar. 28, 1886.  
Guy E., b. Mar. 23, 1890.  
Reva V., b. Sept. 2, 1896.  
Inez E., b. Feb. 19, 1901.

651 Mary Elizabeth<sup>9</sup> Smith (sister to Emma Maria), b. May 19, 1871, Little York, Ill.; m. Oct. 16, 1895, Oquawka, Ill., Alonzo McFarland. Res. Alexis, Ill.

### *Children:*

Rilla May, b. Feb. 22, 1897; d. same day.  
Lloyd Gilbert, b. Dec. 2, 1899.  
Gladys Lucille, b. Mar. 12, 1902; d. Jan. 20, 1904.

652 Mary Ann Arminda<sup>9</sup> Ranney (Nathan Cornelius<sup>8</sup>, Royal<sup>7</sup>, Jeremiah<sup>6</sup>, Stephen<sup>5</sup>, Jeremiah<sup>4</sup>, Thomas<sup>3</sup>, Thomas<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>), b. May 16, 1870, Little York, Ill.; m. Feb. 28, 1894, Little York, Ill., Charles Laird, b. Oct. 15, 1866, Bald Bluff, Ill. Farmer and stock raiser, Dem., I. O. O. F., M. W. A.; res. Little York, Ill.

### *Children:*

Blanch Elvene, b. Feb. 7, 1895.  
Margaret Emily, b. June 20, 1901.

653 William Cornelius<sup>9</sup> Ranney (brother to Mary Ann), b. Dec. 12, 1871, Little York, Ill.; m. Feb. 20, 1895, Henderson Co., Ill., Hilma Virginia Johnson, b. Dec. 23, 1871, Rosetta, Ill., dau. of Charles Joseph Alfred Johnson and Clara Sophia Bloomquist. Farmer, Rep.; res. Seaton, Ill.

*Child:*

Clyde, b. May 31, 1896.

654 James Royal<sup>9</sup> Ranney (brother to Mary Ann), b. June 1, 1874, Little York, Ill.; m. Feb. 16, 1898, Monmouth, Ill., Grace Elvira Johnson, b. June 25, 1879, Warren Co., Ill., dau. of Charles John Alfred Johnson and Clara Sophia Bloomquist. Farmer, assessor, school director, Rep.; res. Seaton, Ill.

*Children:*

Glen Johnson, b. Sept. 11, 1898.

Clara Emily, b. Sept. 2, 1902.

655 Royal William<sup>9</sup> Ranney (Jeremiah<sup>8</sup>, Royal<sup>7</sup>, Jeremiah<sup>6</sup>, Stephen<sup>5</sup>, Jeremiah<sup>4</sup>, Thomas<sup>3</sup>, Thomas<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>), b. Sept. 26, 1881, Henderson Co., Ill.; m. June 28, 1905, Duda, Ill., Martha Ellen Webb, b. Apr. 4, 1879, Bureau Co., Ill., dau. of Francis Daniel Webb and Mary Augusta Chase. Merchant, village treasurer, Ind., K. of P.; res. Galesburg, Ill.

656 Joseph Marion<sup>9</sup> Ranney (brother to Royal William), b. Sept. 26, 1882, Bald Bluff, Ill.; m. Feb. 15, 1905, Little York, Ill., Dora Edith Peters, b. Feb. 17, 1886, Walton, Kan., dau. of Jasper Newton Peters and Lorena Alice Stratton. He is farmer, Rep., Epworth League; she is Meth., Epworth League; res. Alexis, Ill.

657 Pliny Olin<sup>9</sup> Ranney (Scotto Clark<sup>8</sup>, Sullivan<sup>7</sup>, Ephraim<sup>6</sup>, Ephraim<sup>5</sup>, Ephraim<sup>4</sup>, Thomas<sup>3</sup>, Thomas<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>), b. Sept. 13, 1862, Victory, Vt.; m. Nov. 2, 1885, Lyndonville, Vt., Minnie Eliza Isham, b. Apr. 17, 1866, Concord, Vt., dau. of Robert Nichols Isham and Eliza Lucina Nichols. Farmer, thresher and wood sawyer. P. O. address, R. F. D., Lyndonville, Vt.

*Children:*

Flora Lucy, b. Oct. 30, 1886.

Cora Sadie, b. Feb. 28, 1888; d. July 20, 1888.

Bennie Harrison, b. Nov. 1, 1889.

Robin Pliny, b. May 6, 1894; d. May 6, 1894.

Stella Philena, b. Aug. 6, 1895.  
 Clyde Scotto, b. July 27, 1897.  
 Geo. Olin, b. Dec. 17, 1899.  
 Perley Eugene, b. Jan. 26, 1905.

658 George Edwin<sup>9</sup> Ranney (brother to Pliny Olin), b. Aug. 31, 1866, Kirby, Vt.; m. Aug. 31, 1891, East Burke, Vt., Nellie Rosa Eggleston, b. Mar. 2, 1870, Burke, Vt., dau. of William Anson Eggleston and Rosetta Minerva Hudson. Farmer, Rep., M. E. ch.; d. Dec. 28, 1892, Lyndon, Vt. Widow res. in Lyndonville, Vt., mem. of W. R. C. and G. A. R.

*Child:*

Maud Elmira, b. May 14, 1892.

659 Eugene Sullivan<sup>9</sup> Ranney (brother to Pliny Olin), b. July 4, 1871, Kirby, Vt.; m. Oct. 24, 1893, St. Johnsbury, Vt., Evaline Adaline Bowen, b. July 13, 1872, Sheffield, Vt., dau. of Amos Tyler Bowen and Hannah Tuxbury Buel. Farmer, Rep., M. E. ch.; res. Lyndon, Vt.

*Children:*

Vera, b. Feb. 17, 1898; d. same day.  
 Esther Belle, b. Nov. 19, 1899.  
 Edith May, b. Sept. 15, 1901.

660 Phebe<sup>9</sup> Ranney (Henry<sup>8</sup>, Sullivan<sup>7</sup>, Ephraim<sup>6</sup>, Ephraim<sup>5</sup>, Ephraim<sup>4</sup>, Thomas<sup>3</sup>, Thomas<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>), b. Aug. 3, 1875, Kirby, Vt.; m. Oct. 16, 1895, George Arthur Cross, b. Dec. 1, 1869, Canada, son of William Cross and Sarah Baird. Dairyman; res. Concord, Vt.

*Children:*

George Arthur, b. Mar. 30, 1897.  
 Florence Mabel, b. Oct. 10, 1899.  
 Regina Beatrice, b. Nov. 21, 1904.  
 Henry Ranney, b. Oct. 4, 1906.

661 Frank<sup>9</sup> Ranney (brother to Phebe), b. Sept. 23, 1878, Kirby, Vt.; m. Aug. 23, 1904, Concord, Vt., Edith May Russell, b. Oct. 13, 1880, Concord, Vt., dau. of Luther Russell and Celista Moulton Dexter. Farmer, Rep., Cong.; res. Concord, Vt.

*Child:*

Frank Russell, b. June 30, 1905.

662 Elsie Minnie<sup>9</sup> Ranney (George<sup>8</sup>, Sullivan<sup>7</sup>, Ephraim<sup>6</sup>, Ephraim<sup>5</sup>, Ephraim<sup>4</sup>, Thomas<sup>3</sup>, Thomas<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>), b. June 18, 1874, Pittsfield, Vt.; m. June 20, 1900, St. Johnsbury, Vt., Edward Chandler Thrasher, b. Jan. 11, 1874, Coventry, Vt., son of Homer Thrasher and Josephine O. Bowles. Ind. Rep., Cong. ch., chemist, Phi Gamma Delta; res. 384 Pennsylvania ave., Detroit, Mich.

*Child:*

Marian Ranney, b. Mar. 13, 1902.

663 Georgiana Perry<sup>9</sup> Steele (Mary Seymour<sup>8</sup> Clark, Rhoda Harlow<sup>7</sup> Ranney, Calvin<sup>6</sup>, Ephraim<sup>5</sup>, Ephraim<sup>4</sup>, Thomas<sup>3</sup>, Thomas<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>), b. July 21, 1861, Saxton's River, Vt.; m. July 20, 1878, Algona, Ia., George Stewart, Jr. Farmer. She died Mar. 23, 1898. He res. Armstrong, Ia.

*Children:*

Mamie Jane, b. May 21, 1879; m. Albert L. Hall; res. Ewing, Alberta, Canada.

Georgia Louise, b. Jan. 27, 1881; m. Leonard Tipton; res. Armstrong, Ia.

James, b. Jan. 12, 1883.

John, b. Jan. 12, 1886; res. Fairmount, Minn.

Ada Nellie, b. Nov. 5, 1888.

Minnie, b. Apr., 1892.

Guy, b. July, 1896.

664 Cora Ada<sup>9</sup> Hale (sister to Georgiana Perry), b. Jan. 12, 1867, Algona, Ia.; m. Sept. 25, 1888, Algona, Ia., Cornelius Ihmels. Res. Sioux City, Ia.

*Children:*

Frank Seymour, b. Jan. 12, 1890.

Albert Hale, b. Sept. 22, 1903.

665 Helen Louisa<sup>9</sup> Ranney (Henry Eugene<sup>8</sup>, Samuel<sup>7</sup>, Elijah<sup>6</sup>, Elijah<sup>5</sup>, Ephraim<sup>4</sup>, Thomas<sup>3</sup>, Thomas<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>), b. Dec. 31, 1848, Summerhill, N. Y.; m. Sept. 28, 1867, Moravia, N. Y., Martin Giles Monroe, b. Feb. 10, 1843, Scott, Cortland Co., N. Y.; enlisted Aug. 11, 1862, as corporal, Co. K, 1st N. Y. Dragoons; in forty-seven general engagements, siege of Suffolk, Bull Run, Manassas, Wilderness, Winchester, Spottsylvania, Cedar Creek, and at surrender of Lee at Appomatox; disc. July 21, 1865, at Clouds Mills, Va. Res. in Scott, N. Y., to 1868, Summerhill, N. Y., to 1886; Sterling, Kan., to 1888; Helena, Okla., 1894. Republican, Grover Post, G. A. R., Cortland, N. Y., F. & A. M. Mrs. Monroe is mem.

Cong. ch., W. R. C. of G. A. R., Order of King's Daughters; res. Cortland, N. Y.

666 Mary Helen<sup>9</sup> Ranney (Elijah Crawford<sup>8</sup>, Samuel<sup>7</sup>, Elijah<sup>6</sup>, Elijah<sup>5</sup>, Ephraim<sup>4</sup>, Thomas<sup>3</sup>, Thomas<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>), b. May 20, 1850, Summerhill, N. Y.; m. Dec. 17, 1868, Summerhill, N. Y., Daniel J. Shaw, b. Nov. 18, 1844, Groton, N. Y.; res. in Summerhill till 1878, since then Waseca, Minn., where he is a merchant. She is mem. Cong. ch.

667 Arthur Homer<sup>9</sup> Ranney (brother to Mary Helen), b. Jan. 28, 1854, Summerhill, N. Y.; m. (1) Euphemia Paul, who d. June 13, 1898, leaving one son, Paul Elijah; m. (2) Sept. 12, 1899, Cecilia H. Barker, Homer, N. Y., one son, Frederick Cushman, b. June 6, 1904. Res. Minneapolis, Minn.

668 Samuel Eugene<sup>9</sup> Ranney (brother to Mary Helen), b. May 10, 1862; m. May 3, 1897, Jennie Nevins; res. Minneapolis, Minn.

669 Sarah Eleanor<sup>9</sup> Wheeler (Caroline Ranney<sup>8</sup>, Elijah Bradford<sup>7</sup>, Elijah<sup>6</sup>, Elijah<sup>5</sup>, Ephraim<sup>4</sup>, Thomas<sup>3</sup>, Thomas<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>), b. June 11, 1869, Neenah, Wis.; m. Oct. 31, 1894, Bert James Brien, b. June 12, 1866, Neenah, Wis. Garment mfr.; res. Neenah, to 1894; Genda, Kan., to 1896; Eau Claire, Wis., to 1901. Rep., Presbyterian, M. W. A., Pacific Coast Fraternity. Res. Tacoma, Wash.

*Children:*

Bessie, b. Oct. 23, 1895.

Frederick Albert, b. Jan. 16, 1897.

Henry James, b. Oct. 13, 1898.

Florence Eleanor, b. Mar. 22, 1900.

Helen Caroline, b. Jan. 9, 1905.

670 Clara Lucy<sup>9</sup> Buxton (Mary Elizabeth<sup>8</sup> Ranney, Lyman Crawford<sup>7</sup>, Elijah<sup>6</sup>, Elijah<sup>5</sup>, Ephraim<sup>4</sup>, Thomas<sup>3</sup>, Thomas<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>), b. Aug. 25, 1867, Westminster West, Vt.; m. Feb. 5, 1901, Westminster West, Vt., Amasa Allen Fuller, b. Apr. 8, 1857, Warren, Vt., son of Allen Martin Fuller and Sarah Electa Blanchard. Extensive farmer. Holds local offices, Rep.; res. Warren, Vt.

671 Alfred Clayton<sup>9</sup> Ranney (William Addison<sup>8</sup>, Ira Patterson<sup>7</sup>, Joseph<sup>6</sup>, Elijah<sup>5</sup>, Ephraim<sup>4</sup>, Thomas<sup>3</sup>, Thomas<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>), b. Sept. 21, 1858, Summerhill, N. Y.; m. Mar. 31, 1884, Groton,



N. Y., Helen Tryphena Clark, b. Mar. 31, 1861, Groton, dau. of Franklin B. Clark and Jane Ann Spencer. Farmer; res. Summerhill, N. Y.

*Children:*

Grace Virginia, b. Apr. 23, 1885; unm.

Arthur Clark, b. Dec. 10, 1886; unm.

Frank Addison, b. Jan. 7, 1889.

Mary Ethel, b. Apr. 26, 1890.

673 Rev. William Addison<sup>9</sup> Ranney (brother to Alfred Clayton), b. Mar. 22, 1871, Summerhill, N. Y.; m. Oct. 8, 1902, Albany, N. Y., Effie Jane Reid, b. ———, 1878, New Salem, N. Y., dau. of Verner Humphrey Reid and Estella S. Markle. She is mem. Presb. ch. Rev. Mr. Ranney is Rep., F. & A. M., Phi Delta Phi, Delta Phi; grad. 1892, Cortland Normal School; Rutgers Coll., 1896; New Brunswick Theo. Sem., 1899; Albany Normal School, 1900; A. B., A. M., B. D., Pd. B. Is master of St. John's Boarding School, Ossining, N. Y.

*Children:*

William Addison, b. May 24, 1904.

674 Mary Jeanette<sup>9</sup> Ranney (sister to Alfred Clayton), b. Mar. 29, 1873, Summerhill, N. Y.; m. Feb. 6, 1905, Brooklyn, N. Y., Philip John Collins, b. Aug. 2, 1856, Ireland. Mrs. Collins is Meth. Grad. Cortland State Normal School. Was. Prin. Public School No. 81, Brooklyn, N. Y.; res. Brooklyn, N. Y.

675 Mary Emma<sup>9</sup> Ranney (Clifford Ira<sup>8</sup>, Ira Patterson<sup>7</sup>, Joseph<sup>6</sup>, Elijah<sup>5</sup>, Ephraim<sup>4</sup>, Thomas<sup>3</sup>, Thomas<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>), b. Apr. 8, 1866, Groton, N. Y.; m. Dec. 9, 1891, Groton, N. Y., David K. Galusha, b. Jan. 1, 1861, Homer, N. Y. She d. Oct. 19, 1907. Farmer, Rep., Meth.; res. Groton, N. Y.

*Children:*

Newton Clifford, b. Jan. 15, 1893.

Alice Genevieve, b. Mar. 3, 1896.

Raymond Donald, b. Sept. 22, 1899.

Mary Eleanor, b. Sept. 18, 1902.

676 Joseph Austin<sup>9</sup> Ranney (brother to Mary Emma), b. Aug. 15, 1867, Groton, N. Y.; m. Oct. 8, 1890, Auburn, N. Y., Edith May Brown, b. May 7, 1872, Bayville, N. J., dau. of Daniel P. Brown and Mary A. Wilson. Farmer, Rep., Cong.; res. Cortland, N. Y.

*Children:*

Florence Edith, b. Sept. 9, 1891.

Louise Marguerite, b. Dec. 9, 1894.

Charlotte Westcott, b. July 19, 1897.

Herman Ira, b. Aug. 27, 1902.

Herbert Elmer, b. Sept. 3, 1904.

677 Walter Daniel<sup>9</sup> Ranney (brother to Mary Emma), b. May 14, 1875, Groton, N. Y.; m. Nov. 23, 1895, Moravia, N. Y., Florence Knettles Wyckoff, b. Nov. 20, 1877, North Lansing, N. Y., dau. of Sylvester D. Wyckoff and Rachel A. Knettles. Farmer, Rep.; res. on home farm, Groton, N. Y.

*Children:*

Clifford Albert, b. Oct. 31, 1899.

Kenneth Wyckoff, b. July 25, 1901.

Mildred Frances, b. Mar. 19, 1903.

677a Kate Hicks<sup>9</sup> Ranney (Albert Barnes<sup>8</sup>, Rev. Joseph Addison<sup>7</sup>, Joseph<sup>6</sup>, Elijah<sup>5</sup>, Ephraim<sup>4</sup>, Thomas<sup>3</sup>, Thomas<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>), b. Aug. 22, 1868, Three Rivers, Mich.; m. Nov. 17, 1887, Anthony, Kan., Charles Edwin Bowen, M. D., b. Nov. 17, 1855, Canal Dover, O.; grad. Rush Med. Coll.; surgeon, Rep., F. & A. M., K. T.; res. Wichita, Kan.

*Children:*

Florence Lucile, b. July 30, 1889.

Marguerite Ranney, b. Sept. 17, 1892.

678 Fred Ranney<sup>9</sup> Richardson (Justina Belcher<sup>8</sup> Ranney, Daniel Holland<sup>7</sup>, Daniel<sup>6</sup>, Daniel<sup>5</sup>, Ephraim<sup>4</sup>, Thomas<sup>3</sup>, Thomas<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>), b. Apr. 16, 1871, Marengo, Ill.; m. Aug. 17, 1903, Denver, Col., Fern Abbott, b. Feb. 13, 1881, Brant, Wisconsin, dau. of Edward A. Abbott and Sarah Jane Schooley. She is mem. Bapt. ch., Delta Delta Delta Sorority, Asso. Collegiate Alumnae, Stanford Univ. Mr. Richardson is bank teller, M. E. ch., Ind. politics. Res. Denver, Col.

679 Susie Manderson<sup>9</sup> Ranney (Fayette Silas<sup>8</sup>, Silas<sup>7</sup>, Daniel<sup>6</sup>, Daniel<sup>5</sup>, Ephraim<sup>4</sup>, Thomas<sup>3</sup>, Thomas<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>), b. Oct. 12, 1867, Walworth Co., Wis.; m. Jan. 4, 1888, Storm Lake, Iowa, Banks Marston Smith, b. Mar. 8, 1864, Toledo, Iowa. Banker, Rep., Meth., F. & A. M.; res. Osmond, Neb.

*Children:*

- Marion Annabel, b. Jan. 3, 1892.  
 Carleton Banks, b. June 15, 1895.  
 Mildred Marjorie, b. Sept. 4, 1897.  
 Fayette Marston, b. Aug. 24, 1901.

680 Fred Fayette<sup>9</sup> Ranney (brother to Susie Manderson), b. Mar. 14, 1870, Grundy Co., Ia.; m. Sept. 23, 1890, Storm Lake, Ia., Erie May Alexander, b. May 11, 1872, Epworth, Dubuque Co., Ia., dau. of John B. Alexander and Mary Jane Kerr. Farmer, Rep., Cong., M. W. of A.; res. Benson, Minn.

*Children:*

- Herold Fayette, b. Mar. 21, 1892.  
 Helen May, b. Feb. 28, 1895.  
 Robert Alexander, b. Jan. 30, 1897.  
 Thomas Kerr, b. Jan. 17, 1899.  
 Fayette, b. Jan. 13, 1904.  
 John Reid, b. Mar. 29, 1906.

681 Belle Maud<sup>9</sup> Ranney (sister to Susie Manderson), b. Mar. 14, 1887, Storm Lake, Iowa; m. Sept. 22, 1897, Storm Lake, Iowa, Robert Bleakly, b. Mar. 27, 1856, County Fermanagh, Ireland. Rep., lumber merchant; res. Storm Lake, Ia.

*Child:*

- Robert Merwyn, b. Dec. 2, 1898.

681a Wallace Adelbert<sup>9</sup> Pollock (Martha Vandora<sup>8</sup> Ranney, Silas<sup>7</sup>, Daniel<sup>6</sup>, Daniel<sup>5</sup>, Ephraim<sup>4</sup>, Thomas<sup>3</sup>, Thomas<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>), b. Aug. 4, 1865; m. Sept. 29, 1889, Sioux Falls, Ia., Mary Melissa Dunn, b. Dec. 6, 1866, Grundy Center, Ia., dau. of Jacob Dunn and Maria Dockstader. Res. Clemons, Ia.

*Child:*

- Robert Burns, b. Jan. 19, 1892.

681b Justin Austin<sup>9</sup> Ranney (Wallace Austin<sup>8</sup>, Silas<sup>7</sup>, Daniel<sup>6</sup>, Daniel<sup>5</sup>, Ephraim<sup>4</sup>, Thomas<sup>3</sup>, Thomas<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>), b. May 21, 1873, Fairfield Township, Grundy Co., Ia.; m. Sept. 2, 1896, Lillie Estella Jameson, only dau. of L. W. and Lucy Jameson of New Hartford, Ia. At 18 he had full charge of a large creamery, and continued at this for 11 years. In 1899 purchased a farm and has land interests in Minn. and Canada. Rep. mostly, but votes for a Democrat when, in his opinion, it is best. Held various local offices. Makes a specialty of Ranney's brand of Duroc swine, Shropshire

sheep, and Plymouth Rock poultry. F. & A. M., Modern Brotherhood of America. Res. New Hartford, Ia.

*Child:*

Margarette, b. Jan. 25, 1905.

681c Amos Moore Ranney (brother to Justin Austin), b. Aug. 31, 1874, Fairfield Township, Grundy Co., Ia.; m. June 30, 1897, Cedar Falls, Ia., Flora Belle Lyon, b. \_\_\_\_\_; d. June 19, 1902, He walked two miles to a country school until he was 18, when he was apprenticed to a carpenter and after mastering the trade became a contractor, erecting many fine buildings. In 1900 he purchased 200 acres of land in Minnesota. In 1904 he went to the Canadian Northwest, and located in Regina, having business connections in Prince Albert as well as in the United States. Beginning at 18 as an apprentice on 75 cents a day, he now owns 1000 acres of land in Minnesota and 3000 in Canada, having a real estate agency in Prince Albert, Saskatchewan, controlling vast properties in that prosperous region. He retains his citizenship under the Stars and Stripes. F. & A. M., I. O. O. F. Business address, Regina, Canada.

682 Rena Dell<sup>9</sup> Short (Geraldine Calista<sup>8</sup> Ranney, Reuben<sup>7</sup>, Daniel<sup>6</sup>, Daniel<sup>5</sup>, Ephraim<sup>4</sup>, Thomas<sup>3</sup>, Thomas<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>), b. Feb. 16, 1868, Elkhorn, Wis.; m. Sept. 10, 1895, Elkhorn, Wis., George Quincy Dunlap, Supt. of Grounds of Institute of the Y. M. C. A., Lake Geneva, Wis., Rep., Cong. ch.; res. Williams Bay, Wis.

*Child:*

James Dwight, b. Apr. 9, 1901.

683 Rev. George Ranney<sup>9</sup> Short (brother to Rena Dell), b. Nov. 17, 1869, Elkhorn, Wis.; m. Oct. 9, 1895, Elkhorn, Wis., Jessie Lena Adkins, b. Oct. 19, 1871, Fox Lake, Wis., dau. of Henry Breckenridge Adkins and Emma Cronk. Clergyman of M. E. ch.; res. Sunnyside, Wash.

*Children:*

Ruth Margarette b. Jan. 29, 1897.

Winnifred Valentine, b. Feb. 14, 1900.

Donald Henry, b. July 10, 1902.

684 Ernest Alden<sup>9</sup> Short (brother to Rena Dell), b. Feb. 20, 1871, Elkhorn, Wis.; m. Sept. 6, 1905, Pittsburg, Pa., Christine Margaret Campbell, b. Dec. 23, 1876, Augusta, Ky., dau. of Peter Campbell and Susanna Cope. Prohib., M. E. ch.



*Amos Moore Ranney*

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SALVADOR OTIS RANNEY  
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When two years old his parents moved to Glyndon, Clay County, Minnesota, where his father took up a homestead. Here he lived for ten years until the death of his father in 1883, when his mother with her family returned to Wisconsin. She purchased a home in Elkhorn, Wis., where Ernest attended the public schools for a number of years. From school he went to work on the farm of his uncle, Milo B. Ranney. In 1891 he entered the Moody School at Mount Hermon, Mass. After two years of preparatory work there and one year at the University of Wisconsin, he entered the Y. M. C. A. Training School for Physical Directors in Chicago. In 1900 he began work as a physical director in the Y. M. C. A. work and continued in the work until 1905, when he was elected to the chair of physical training in Grove City College, Grove City, Pa.; res. Grove City, Pa.

685 Frank James<sup>9</sup> Short (brother to Rena Dell), b. June 20, 1873, Glyndon, Minn.; m. May 17, 1899, Madison, Wis., Jennie Huldah Barrett, b. June 28, 1877, Magnolia, Wis., dau. of Robinson Peter Barrett and Jane Hoisington. Rep., M. E. ch.

The first ten years of his life were spent on a large wheat farm about three miles from Glyndon. His parents usually moved into town in the winter to enable the children to attend school.

In 1883 his father died and to secure better educational advantages for her family of eight children, his mother moved to Wisconsin and purchased a home in Elkhorn, Walworth County. Frank, however, spent much of his time on the farms of his uncle, Milo B. Ranney, and aunt Luciann Ranney, a few miles from Elkhorn. Here he attended the district school in winter, and worked on the farm in summer until eighteen years old, when he started work in a creamery and for two years followed the trade of butter making.

In 1893 he entered the University of Wisconsin at Madison, Wis., graduating in Mechanical Engineering in 1897. For seven years after graduation he followed practical engineering work in Madison, Wis., Pueblo, Colo., and Pittsburg, Pa. In 1904 he was elected to the chair of Engineering in Grove City College, Grove City, Pa.

*Child:*

Faith Millicent, b. Aug. 22, 1900.

686 Josephine Axtell<sup>9</sup> Ranney (Harris Guernsey<sup>8</sup>, Jonathan Holland<sup>7</sup>, Daniel<sup>6</sup>, Daniel<sup>5</sup>, Ephraim<sup>4</sup>, Thomas<sup>3</sup>, Thomas<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>), b. May 7, 1875, Pittsfield, Vt.; m. May 23, 1894, Pitts-

field, Vt., George Wooster Spaulding, b. Mar. 19, 1872, Rutland, Vt. Contractor, Rep. She is Meth.; res. Rutland, Vt.

*Children:*

Caroline Achsah, b. Mar. 17, 1896.

Courtland Ranney, b. Nov. 21, 1898; d. June 7, 1899.

Charlotte Lucy, b. Aug. 14, 1901.

Araline Izah, b. July 12, 1903.

Randall Marvin, b. Oct. 10, 1905.

687 Alfred Ranney<sup>9</sup> Bunnell (Janette Victoria<sup>8</sup> Ranney, Alfred Atwood<sup>7</sup>, Waitstill Randolph<sup>6</sup>, Waitstill<sup>5</sup>, Ephraim<sup>4</sup>, Thomas<sup>3</sup>, Thomas<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>), b. Oct. 5, 1867, N. Y. City; m. Sept. 22, 1896, N. Y. City, Helen Brett Patterson, dau. of Thomas Cretney Patterson. Lawyer, 76 William St., N. Y. City. Rep., Presb. ch.; res. East Orange, N. J.

*Children:*

Alfred Ranney, b. July 27, 1896.

Lyman Cretney, b. May 6, 1900.

Helen Patterson, b. Dec. 21, 1901.

688 Walter Lyman<sup>9</sup> Bunnell (brother to Alfred Ranney), b. Mar. 10, 1871, N. Y. City; m. Jan. 29, 1903, Leila Valentine. Lawyer, 76 William St., N. Y. City. Res. Orange, N. J.

*Children:*

Arthur Valentine, b. Jan. 13, 1904.

Ernestine, b. Jan. 13, 1904.

689 Jennie Louise<sup>9</sup> Bunnell (sister to Alfred Ranney), b. Jan. 1, 1873, Englewood, N. J.; m. Geo. T. Pettingill.

*Children:*

John Edward, b. Sept. 17, 1902.

Robert Bunnell, b. Mar. 6, 1904.

690 Stella Evangeline<sup>9</sup> Fisk (Martha Columbia<sup>8</sup> Ranney, Alfred Atwood<sup>7</sup>, Waitstill Randolph<sup>6</sup>, Waitstill<sup>5</sup>, Ephraim<sup>4</sup>, Thomas<sup>3</sup>, Thomas<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>), b. Apr. 2, 1868, So. Dover, N. Y.; m. June 27, 1894, Denver, Col., Abner Clark Forrester, b. Feb. 14, 1857, in Missouri. Mr. Forrester is a ranchman for his health, and is descended from Lord Forrester, knighted by Sir Ralph Gore. His grandfather, Ralph Forrester, was commissioned by Gen. George Washington to be a captain of Minute Men in Philadelphia.



When a young girl her parents removed to Greeley, Col.; then to Livermore, Col., a summer resort. At thirteen she was sent to Keene, New Hampshire, to study music and at eighteen she returned to Col., and took up the study of colors in oil. Her special line was figure and flower painting; also china painting, embroidery and lace work, even telegraphy. From a child she was an equestrian, at eighteen taking the first prize at Lorimer Co. Fair. In 1887, with a guide, she accompanied her uncle, Rev. Richmond Fisk, D. D., on horseback to the top of the "Dome of the Continent," Gray's Peak, and they snowballed each other on the 25th day of August. Mrs. Forrester's present home is an artist's paradise. It is twenty-five miles above Lewiston, Idaho, by steamboat, and three miles up a small stream at an elevation of only 1400 feet, but the mountains tower up for miles, presenting great variety and much grandeur. Her P. O. address is Taplin, Nez Perces Co., Idaho.

*Children:*

Kathleen Marguerite, b. July 15, 1897.

Golden Evangeline, b. Nov. 26, 1899.

Abner Lucian Fisk, b. Nov. 13, 1902.

691 Raymond Ranney<sup>9</sup> Fisk (brother to Stella Evangeline), b. Mar. 5, 1880, Livermore, Col.; m. May 20, 1902, Denver, Col., Elsy Elga Brolliari, b. Nov. 5, 1877, Wilber, Neb., dau. of Daniel Braden Brolliari and Sarah Katherine Anthony. Grad., 1899, Col. Agr. Col.; produce mer., Rep., Uni. Wife edu. Graceland Col. of Harmoni, Iowa, mem. Reorganized Latter Day Saints of Harmoni, Ia.; res. Boulder, Col.

*Children:*

Martha Glenore, b. Feb. 26, 1903.

Josephine Andrey, b. Mar. 6, 1905.

692 Mary Anna<sup>9</sup> Buckingham (Phebe Atwood<sup>8</sup> Ranney, Alfred Atwood<sup>7</sup>, Waitstill Randolph<sup>6</sup>, Waitstill<sup>5</sup>, Ephraim<sup>4</sup>, Thomas<sup>3</sup>, Thomas<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>), b. Nov. 3, 1875, So. Dover, N. Y.; m. Oct. 16, 1905, Saxton's River, Vt., Joseph Warren Leach, b. Dec. 1879, Walpole, N. H. Farmer; res. Walpole, N. H.

692a Albert Leet<sup>9</sup> Galusha (Fanny Lorraine<sup>8</sup> Bottum, Helen Louisa<sup>7</sup> Ranney, Waitstill Randolph<sup>6</sup>, Waitstill<sup>5</sup>, Ephraim<sup>4</sup>, Thomas<sup>3</sup>, Thomas<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>), b. Nov. 23, 1877, Lincoln, Neb.; m. June 24, 1903, Jericho, Vt., Isabel May Cochrane, b. Sept. 7, 1885, Fairfax, Vt., dau. of Alonzo David Cochrane and Lola Sophia

Story. Rep., Meth., grad. 1899, civil eng., Dartmouth; post grad. course at Mass. Tech.; designing engineer. Res. Dorchester, Mass.

*Child:*

Albert Ranney, b. June 10, 1907.

693 Charles Albert<sup>9</sup> Lybrand (Sarah Frances<sup>8</sup> Ranney, Isaac<sup>7</sup> James<sup>6</sup>, Janna<sup>5</sup>, Ephraim<sup>4</sup>, Thomas<sup>3</sup>, Thomas<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>), b. Aug. 6, 1865, Delaware, O.; m. Oct. 24, 1894, Lowell, Mass., Ella Frances Hardman, b. Oct. 22, 1865, Cranston, R. I., dau. of George Hardman and Mary A. McAuliffe. With U. S. Cartridge Co., Lowell, Mass. Both mem. Epis. ch.; res. Lowell, Mass.

*Children:*

Frances Ranney, b. Sept. 1, 1895.  
 George Hardman, b. Oct. 15, 1897.  
 Mary Louise, b. Nov. 2, 1899.  
 Eleanor Grace, b. Dec. 4, 1901.  
 Agnes Elizabeth, b. Mar. 21, 1904.

694 Eleanor Grace<sup>9</sup> Lybrand (sister to Charles Albert), b. Oct. 31, 1869, Delaware, O.; m. Apr., 1897, Washington, D. C., Domingo Anthony Usina, b. Dec., 1870, Savannah, Ga., son of Michael Philip Usina and Camilla Neligan. Mem. Soc. Civil Eng., Lehigh Club, patent lawyer, N. Y. City; res. Nutley, N. J.

*Child:*

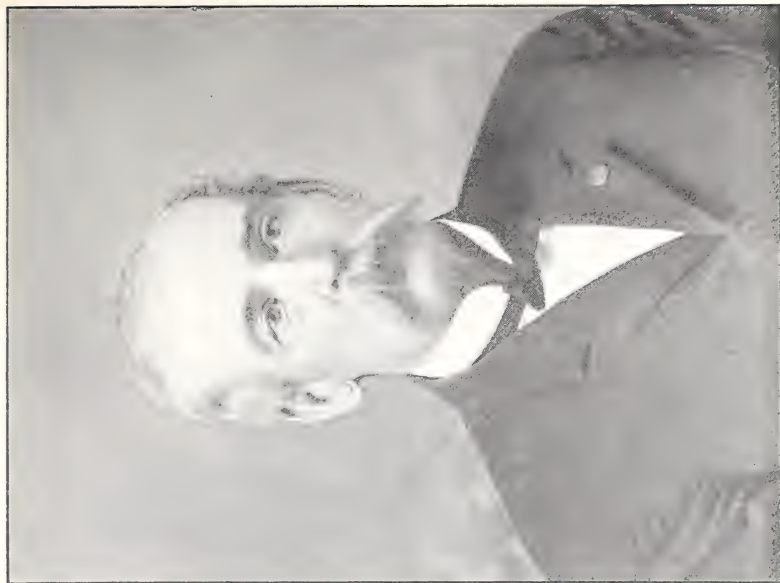
Jessie, b. July, 1899; d. July, 1899.

695 William Carrell<sup>9</sup> Diamond (Grace<sup>8</sup> Ranney, Isaac<sup>7</sup>, James<sup>6</sup>, Janna<sup>5</sup>, Ephraim<sup>4</sup>, Thomas<sup>3</sup>, Thomas<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>), b. Oct. 23, 1878; m. Oct. 10, 1906, Montclair, N. J., Edith Wheeler Vanderbilt, grad. of Smith College. Mr. Diamond grad., 1898, Georgetown College, delivering the "Bachelor's" oration; grad. 1901, Harvard Law School. Practising in N. Y. City.

695a Katherine<sup>9</sup> Munro (Elizabeth Burden<sup>8</sup> Ranney, Isaac<sup>7</sup>, James<sup>6</sup>, Janna<sup>5</sup>, Ephraim<sup>4</sup>, Thomas<sup>3</sup>, Thomas<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>), b. Dec. 8, 1881, Montgomery Co., Md.; m. Sept. 21, 1904, "Cedarcroft," Gaithersburg, Md., Thomas Maurice Talbott; res. Rockville, Md.

*Child:*

Elizabeth Wailes, b. Feb. 26, 1906.



WILLIAM OSTRANDER RANNEY  
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JAMES KNOX POLK RANNEY AND GRANDSON  
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THE FREDERICK BENJAMIN WHEELER FAMILY



MRS. MABEL (RANNEY) WHEELER

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696 Mabel<sup>9</sup> Ranney (James Knox Polk<sup>8</sup>, William<sup>7</sup>, Samuel Hall<sup>6</sup>, George<sup>5</sup>, George<sup>4</sup>, George<sup>3</sup>, Thomas<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>), b. Jan. 28, 1875, Osawatomie, Kansas; m. Dec. 27, 1896, Frederick Benjamin Wheeler, b. Aug. 20, 1869, Arnoldsville, Buchanan Co., Mo. In 1881 the family rem. to Axtell, Marshall Co., Kan., and there he completed the high school course. In 1885 he entered the collegiate dept. of the State University, left it to teach two years, ret. in 1893 and grad. in 1895. Rem. to Pittsburg, Kan., where he established himself in the law practice and where he has risen to distinction. Director, and Pres. of Street Railways Corps, then attorney for the same. Twice a mem. of the Legislature and sent several times by the city to plead for large appropriations for the State Manual Training School located in Pittsburg. Twice W. M. of Pittsburg Lodge, F. & A. M., 32°. Is Second Reader in the Christian Science church. Is a lover of music and art, and devoted to children.

Mrs. Mabel Ranney Wheeler, as she is popularly known, studied at the State University, then taught four years and, though married, is giving much of her time to literary work. She is chairman of the Science Dept. of the State Federation of Women's Clubs, mem. of the Woman's Kansas Club, frequently lectures on literary topics, and conducts a woman's page in a daily newspaper of large circulation. While at the University she was a Unitarian, but now a Christian Scientist. She supervises the education of her children, a very extensive and choice library having been gathered for their benefit. Mrs. Wheeler has nobly looked after the interests of the William Ranney clan as these pages show; res. Pittsburg, Kan.

*Children:*

Mary Cecil, b. Aug. 16, 1898.  
James Ranney, b. July 2, 1900.  
Frederick Gaskell, b. Sept. 9, 1902.

697 Nettie<sup>9</sup> Ranney (sister to Mabel), b. Jan. 11, 1877, Osawatomie, Kan.; m. Feb. 20, 1901, Charles Ernest Rossman, b. Feb. 4, 1869, Tiffin, O., son of William Jacob Rossman and Christina Gooter, both born in Germany. School teacher; corporal, 20th Reg. Kan. Vols., from May 3, 1898 to Oct., 1899, having been in many engagements in the Philippines and wounded in May, 1899. While there he was elected by the Democrats as register of deeds and served as such till 1902; K. of P., M. W. of A.; res. on 160-acre farm, Paola, Kan.

*Children:*

Karl, b. Nov. 24, 1901.

Mildred, b. Mar. 27, 1905.

William James, b. Aug. 6, 1906.

698 Ralph<sup>9</sup> Ranney (brother to Mabel), b. Aug. 3, 1878, Osawatomie, Kan.; m. 1901, Mildred Thompson. Conducts a ranch of 2300 acres; res. Vilas, Col.

699 Sarah Louisa<sup>9</sup> Woodard (Sarah Jane<sup>8</sup> Ranney, James<sup>7</sup>, Jesse<sup>6</sup>, George<sup>5</sup>, George<sup>4</sup>, George<sup>3</sup>, Thomas<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>), b. Mar. 7, 1846, Albany, N. Y.; m. Dec. 12, 1867, Greenfield, Mass., Francis William Johnson, b. May 1, 1846, Somers, Conn. Butcher, Dem., Cong., I. O. O. F.; res. Springfield, Mass.

*Children:*

Eleanor Louisa, b. Jan. 26, 1869; d. 1876.

Albert Webster, b. July 20, 1871, Hartford, Conn; m. Dec. 1, 1898, Springfield, Mass., Jessie Nichols Chadwick, b. Dec. 11, 1874, Rockville, Conn., dau. of John Harvey Chadwick and Laura Anna Nichols. Machinist, Rep. She is Cong., D. A. R.; res. Springfield, Mass.

Allison Forace, b. Aug. 2, 1873; m. Helen Margaret Kane.

699a Emma Eldora<sup>8</sup> Woodard (sister to Sarah Louisa), b. June 14, 1849, Greenfield, Mass.; m. Dec. 12, 1867, Charles Edwin Baker, b. Jan. 12, 1842, Leyden, Mass., son of David Baker and Marion Gotier. Served three years in Civil War, Co. K, 9th Vt. Inf. Res. Springfield, Mass.

*Children:*

Louis Fred, b. Sept. 19, 1869. Res. Springfield, Mass.

Alonzo Allyn, b. July 8, 1872. Res. Springfield, Mass.

Charles Harding, b. May 31, 1875. Res. Kalamazoo, Mich.

Grace Marian, b. Oct. 31, 1878; m. Frank E. Williams. Res. Rockville, Conn.

Ruth Elizabeth, b. June 30, 1884; m. Everett H. Luther. Res. Springfield, Mass.

Daisy Gladys, b. Dec. 5, 1889; m. James Harvey Terwilliger. Res. Springfield, Mass.

700 James Madison Woodard (brother to Sarah Louisa), b. Feb. 3, 1852, Greenfield, Mass.; m. Nov. 25, 1873, Greenfield, Gertrude K. Manning, b. Dec. 3, 1849, Mooers Fork, N. Y. dau. of Richard Lattin Manning and Sally Mercenas Harden. Wholesale butcher for Boston markets. Rep. She is mem. W. R. C. of G. A. R., Dames of Malta, and Cong. Ch. Res. Greenfield, Mass.

*Children:*

- Leon Manning, b. Feb. 19, 1876; m. Feb. 21, 1900, Greenfield, Jennie Malinda Avery, b. Mar. 7, 1877, dau. of Geo. Washington Avery and Martha Hosley. In business with his father. K. of M. She is Dame of Malta and Dau. of Rebecca. Res. Greenfield. *Children:*  
 Marion Avery and Mildred, b. Dec. 9, 1902, weighing 2 pounds and 4 pounds at birth. Their portraits recently taken are seen herewith.  
 June Clifford, b. June 22, 1878; m. Oct. 23, 1902, Thomaston, Conn., Adaline Eliza Blakeslee, b. Feb. 5, 1877, dau. of William Henry Blakeslee and Ellen Riggs. Rep., dry-goods, grad. Child's Bus. Coll. *Children:*  
 Dorothy Madison, b. Oct. 5, 1903; d. Feb. 21, 1906.  
 Dudley Blakeslee, b. Jan. 17, 1907.  
 Robinson, b. May 2, 1880, unm., Rep., K. of M. Res. Greenfield, Mass.  
 Edna Gertrude, b. Sept. 27, 1885, unm. Res. Greenfield, Mass.

701 Newman Harding<sup>9</sup> Woodard (brother to Sarah Louisa), b. Nov. 2, 1853, Greenfield, Mass.; m. Oct. 21, 1884, Greenfield, Mass., Mary Elizabeth Cookman, b. Dec. 13, 1862, West Henrysburg, Canada, dau. of Thomas Cookman and Mary Ann Hunter. Wholesale meat trade, Rep.; res. Greenfield, Mass.

*Children:*

- Eleanor Elizabeth, b. Aug. 27, 1886.  
 Frank Harding, b. Oct. 7, 1888.  
 Ada Janette, b. Mar. 10, 1891.  
 Ida Jane, b. Mar. 10, 1891.  
 Grace Inez, b. Oct. 4, 1894.  
 Clarence Newman, b. Apr. 8, 1902.

702 Lizzie Emma<sup>9</sup> Ranney (James Hamilton<sup>8</sup>, James Sumner<sup>7</sup>, Jesse<sup>6</sup>, George<sup>5</sup>, George<sup>4</sup>, George<sup>3</sup>, Thomas<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>), b. July 26, 1859, East Hartford, Conn.; m. Jan. 17, 1884, Hartford, Charles Merriman, b. Mar. 22, 1855, East Hartford, Conn. Insurance business; Postmaster, 1877-1889, town treas., 1882-1901, mem. Legislature, 1901, Rep., F. & A. M., Royal Arcanum; res. East Hartford, Conn.

*Children:*

- Joseph Martin, b. Sept. 8, 1887; d. June 20, 1891.  
 Charles Russell, b. May 29, 1891.

Irene Louise, b. Nov. 24, 1895.

Helen Annette, b. Nov. 24, 1895.

Charlotte Elizabeth, b. Nov. 28, 1898.

703 Inez<sup>9</sup> Ranney (Salvador Otis<sup>9</sup>, James Sumner<sup>7</sup>, Jesse<sup>6</sup>, George<sup>5</sup>, George<sup>4</sup>, George<sup>3</sup>, Thomas<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>), b. Nov. 24, 1869; m. (1) Dec. 26, 1890, George Lincoln Sargent, who d. Jan. 19, 1894, son of J. Everett Sargent, Judge of Supreme Court of N. H.; m. (2) May 9, 1895, Louis Nelson Wiley, son of Louis G. Wiley and Caroline Jackson of Hartford, Conn. Dentist; res. Thompsonville, Conn.

*Children by second marriage:*

Lucille.

Muriel.

704 Benjamin Wood<sup>9</sup> Ranney (brother to Inez), b. Jan. 14, 1877, Hartford, Conn.; m. June 18, 1902, Hartford, Conn., Grace Beatrice Collum, b. Oct. 14, 1882, Hartford, Conn., dau. of William H. Collum and Eliza Ann Kelly. In business with his father; res. Suffield, Conn.

705 Mabel Wood Ranney (sister to Inez), b. Jan. 14, 1882, Hartford, Ct.; m. Jan. 16, 1906, Sidney Solomon Grotta, b. Sept. 29, 1881, N. Y. City, draughtsman. Res. Hartford, Ct.

705a Elis Wilbur<sup>9</sup> Ranney (Frederick Eli<sup>8</sup>, Charles<sup>7</sup>, Jesse<sup>6</sup>, George<sup>5</sup>, George<sup>4</sup>, George<sup>3</sup>, Thomas<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>), b. Feb. 23, 1878, Belding, Mich.; m. Oct. 17, 1900, Almont, Mich., Teresa Adeline Bristol, b. June 27, 1879, Almont, Mich., dau. of George Cleveland Bristol and Mary Charlotte Tosch. Remained on home farm till 1904 when he rem. to Greenville, Mich., to engage in mfg., Rep., F. & A. M., K. of P.; res. Greenville, Mich.

*Children:*

Mary Emily, b. Mar. 20, 1902.

Frederick Bristol, b. Jan. 4, 1904.

June Elizabeth, b. June 11, 1906.

705b Nettie Aurelia<sup>9</sup> Richmond (Alanson Andrews<sup>8</sup>, Amanda Ranney<sup>7</sup>, Jesse<sup>6</sup>, George<sup>5</sup>, George<sup>4</sup>, George<sup>3</sup>, Thomas<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>), b. Oct. 2, 1854, Buckland, Mass.; m. Sept. 22, 1875, Charlemont, Mass., Wylon Gilbert Hayes, b. Aug. 12, 1853, Buckland, Mass., son of Gilbert B. Hayes and Rhoda Johnson. Was for twenty years clerk Police Court of Fitchburg, till Feb., 1907; Sec.-Treas. of Fidelity Co-operative Bank, Fitchburg, Mass.



*Children:*

Albert Earle, b. July 12, 1877; d. Dec. 24, 1906; grad. 1898, Worcester Polytechnic Institute; unm. Was with General Electric Co., Schenectady, N. Y.

Clifton Richmond, b. June 16, 1879; m. Jan. 15, 1903, Miriam Elizabeth Guy; grad. 1901, Worcester P. I. Supt. Ludlow Mfg. Associates; res. Ludlow, Mass.

*Child:*

Gwendolyn Guy, b. Mar. 19, 1905.

Ruth Mabel, b. Sept. 29, 1885; m. Apr. 3, 1907, at Fitchburg, to Irving Stephen Houghton of Fitchburg; res. Worcester, Mass.

706 Theodore Frank<sup>9</sup> Clark (Samuel Wilson<sup>8</sup>, Polinda Eliza<sup>7</sup> Ranney, Norman<sup>6</sup>, Joseph<sup>5</sup>, Fletcher<sup>4</sup>, Joseph<sup>3</sup>, Joseph<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>), b. Jan. 15, 1861; m. Dec. 13, 1882, New Britain, Conn., Carrie Frances Farnham, b. West Brookfield, Mass., dau. of Jesse David Farnham and Mary Homer; res. New Britain, Conn.

*Child:*

Frank Farnham, b. July 25, 1892.

707 Lulu Jane<sup>9</sup> Clark (sister to Theodore Frank), b. Aug. 16, 1867, New Britain, Conn.; m. Dec. 25, 1888, Albert F. Schade, b. June 27, 1863, Meriden, Conn., son of Frederick Traubut Schade and Mary Christiana Seiple; res. New Britain, Conn.

*Children:*

Frederick Winthrop, b. Aug. 9, 1891.

Leonard Arthur, b. Aug. 15, 1894.

Vera Anna, b. Sept. 16, 1896.

708 Charles Fred<sup>9</sup> Clark (brother to Theodore Frank), b. Aug. 22, 1869, New Britain, Conn.; m. May 22, 1895, Guilford, Conn., Nellie L. Dudley, b. Aug. 31, 1874, Guilford, dau. of Hobart E. Dudley and Mary E. Stone; res. New Britain, Conn.

709 John Wallace<sup>9</sup> Clark (brother to Theodore Frank), b. Apr. 13, 1872, New Britain, Conn.; m. Jan. 22, 1896, Middletown, Conn., Elizabeth Gertrude Roche; res. Meriden, Conn.

*Children:*

Wallace Vincent, b. Nov 22, 1897.

Elizabeth Gertrude, b. Oct. 21, 1899.

710 Grace Elizabeth<sup>9</sup> Clark (sister to Theodore Frank), b. June 15, 1874, New Britain, Conn.; m. June 22, 1897, Frank Hubert Bacon, b. Feb., 1876, Middletown, Conn., son of Frank Albert Bacon and Ida May Westover. Foreman in foundry, I. O. O. F.; res. New Britain, Conn.

*Children:*

Lois May, b. Feb. 17, 1898.

Clyde Clark, b. Aug. 11, 1899; d. July 20, 1900.

Wesley Hubert, b. Sept. 25, 1901.

Muriel Grace, b. Nov. 6, 1903.

Samuel Wilson, b. Oct. 17, 1905.

711 Ernest Joseph<sup>9</sup> Clark (brother to Theodore Frank), b. Aug. 21, 1876, New Britain, Conn.; m. Nov. 26, 1902, Edith Marie Lindner, b. Apr. 26, 1881, Eisenach, Germany, dau. of Christian Charles Frederick Lindner and Martha Elizabeth Specht; res. New Britain, Conn.

712 Jesse E.<sup>9</sup> Clark (brother to Theodore Frank), b. Dec. 28, 1878, New Britain, Conn.; m. Sept. 10, 1907, New Britain, Conn., Gussie Irene Officer, b. Nov. 17, 1882, New Britain, dau. of James Anderson Officer and Emeline Margaret Reynolds. Die sinker; res. New Britain, Conn.

713 Jessie Irene<sup>9</sup> Miller (Delilah Frances<sup>8</sup> Smith, Isabella<sup>7</sup> Ranney, William W.<sup>6</sup>, Charles<sup>5</sup>, Hezekiah<sup>4</sup>, Joseph<sup>3</sup>, Joseph<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>), b. Jan. 10, 1873, ————, Ky.; m. Albin Shull.

714 Ida Inez<sup>9</sup> Miller (sister to Jessie Irene), b. Feb. 22, 1875, Texas; m. Dec. 6, 1893, Philip Adam Robertson, b. Jan. 8, 1871, Ohio Co., Ky. Farmer, Dem., Bapt.; res. Echols, Ky.

*Children:*

Ethel Dow, b. Aug. 26, 1895.

Reuel Reynard, b. Dec. 28, 1898.

Aubrey Doyle, b. Jan. 8, 1902.

716 Jackson Wolcot<sup>9</sup> Sparrow (Mary Elizabeth<sup>8</sup> Wolcot, Martha Ann<sup>7</sup> Hubbard, Gen. Abner<sup>6</sup>, Esther<sup>5</sup> Hamlin, Lucretia<sup>4</sup> Ranney, Capt. Daniel<sup>3</sup>, Joseph<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>), b. Aug. 13, 1874, Covington, Ky.; rem. to suburbs of Cincinnati, 1886; m. June 17, 1901, Norwood, Ohio, Lucy Buchanan Landrum, b. Hickman, Ky., Mar. 10, 1880, dau. of Judge Samuel Landrum of Hickman, Ky. Attorney at Law, Rep., Epis. In 1906 is Treas. Episcopal Church

Club of Cincinnati; Sec. Laymen's Forward Movement, Diocese Southern Ohio; Sec. and Treas., National Conference of Church Clubs of the United States; Vestryman of the Church of Good Shepherd, Norwood, Cincinnati; Sec., The Ohio Society, Sons of the Revolution; Dep. Sec. Society of Colonial Wars in the State of Ohio; member of the New England Society of the State of Ohio; a Trustee and Sec. of the Board of Trustees of The Old Men's and Widow's Homes of Cincinnati; a director in a number of Cincinnati corporations; res. Cincinnati, O.

*Child:*

Elizabeth Landrum, b. July 31, 1902.

717 Frederic Wolcot<sup>9</sup> Sparrow (brother to Jackson Wolcot), b. Dec. 7, 1876, Covington, Ky. Clerk. Serg. Troop I, 7th U. S. Cav., three years during Spanish-American War and later on service in Cuba. Rep., Epis.; res. Cincinnati, O.

718 Millicent Wolcot<sup>9</sup> Sparrow (sister to Jackson Wolcot), b. June 1, 1879, Covington, Ky.; m. Oct. 2, 1901, Norwood, O., Frank Rand Maguire, b. July 24, 1871, Cincinnati, O. Commission merchant, mem. Chamber of Commerce; res. Cincinnati, O.

## WILLIAM RANNEY LINE

William Ranney was born Aug. 16, 1790, presumably the son of James<sup>5</sup> Ranney (Willett<sup>4</sup>, Willett<sup>3</sup>, Thomas<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>), and died Dec. 10, 1818, Henderson, N. Y. He m. Feb. 28, 1811, Henderson, N. Y., Arenda McNett, b. Jan. 27, 1795, dau. of Capt. Samuel McNett, in War of 1812, and keeper of lighthouse at Sackett Harbor.

### *Children:*

Louisa, b. Oct. 15, 1811; d. Jan. 1, 1899; m. ————Boomer. Children are Edward Boomer of Belleville, N. Y., and William Ranney Boomer of Lee Center, N. Y., who writes that his mother used to visit John and Lester Ranney, "distant relatives."

Lorinda, b. Mar. 3, 1814; d. Jan. 23, 1879; m. ———— Bal-lard. One dau., Mrs. Smith, res. Lewis, Lewis Co., N. Y.

Phebe, b. aMr. 21, 1816; d. about 1886; m. ———— Onder-donk.

William, b. Sept. 22, 1818.

William Ranney, b. Sept 22, 1818, Hendersonville, N. Y., d. Aug. 7, 1861, Clayton, N. Y.; m. June 3, 1840, Jane Hunting, b. July 20, 1821, dau. of Ezekiel Hunting and Rebecca Breed, both from Keene, N. H. He was a school teacher and Supt. of Schools and farmer. She d. Mar. 16, 1888, Pamela, N. Y.

### *Children:*

Martin Van Buren, b. Mar. 8, 1841; d. Aug. 24, 1885, Clay-ton, N. Y.; m. June 25, 1867, Clayton, Mary Augusta Blanchard, b. Mar. 29, 1845, d. Oct. 25, 1902. St. Paul, Minn. Customs' Officer. *Child:*

Grace, b. Aug. 19, 1868; with the Middlesex Banking Com-pany of Middletown, Ct., at their office in St. Paul, Minn.

Mary Jane, b. July 28, 1844; m. Nov. 29, 1864, Martin Van Buren Reed, b. Feb. 6, 1841. Res. Watertown, N. Y.

### *Child:*

Mertie E., b. Nov. 30, 1865; m. Sept. 3, 1891, George J. Cooper. Res. Watertown, N. Y.

Florence, b. Nov. 17, 1849; m. Burton B. Ball. Res. Water-town, N. Y.

William, b. Feb. 1, 1855, d. Oct. 30, 1901; m. Nellie Elder.

*Children:*

Stanley Burton, b. Mar. 16, 1879; m. Cynthia Morehouse.

Res.————.

Pearl May, b. June 7, 1884; m. Wilton Murphy. Res.——.

## TIMOTHY BERRY RANNEY LINE

“ My grandfather Timothy Berry Ranney came from Connecticut and settled in Chautauqua County, New York, raised a family of two sons and one daughter, Hiram, Peleg Timothy and Almira, who married Robert Ransom.” So writes Myron Hawley Ranney. A Timothy Ranney of Chatham left no record to enable me to follow him. As New York's earliest settlers were from the Upper Houses, and Timothy Ranney resided across the Connecticut River in what was East Middletown, after 1767 Chatham, it may be that we have found the missing link.—C. C. A.

Peleg Timothy Ranney, b. Mar. 13, 1809, Jamestown, N. Y.; m. 1832, Lucille Frances Pew, b. Feb. 20, 1818. Res. in Cattaraugus Co. to 1856, Livingston Co. to 1876, went to Allegan Co., Mich., where he d. 1880.

### *Children:*

Charles Henry, b. Nov. 15, 1836, Franklinville, N. Y.; m. 1859, Julia Smith. Served in Co. G, 13th N. Y. Vol. Inf. Died 1862 at Washington, D. C.

Eunice Frances, b. Mar. 25, 1838; m. William Price. Res. Hornell, N. Y.

Lucy Ann, b. Dec. 11, 1840; m. Abner Jackman.

Myron Hawley, b. July 12, 1845. Enl. Sept. 18, 1861, in Co. E, 13th N. Y. Vol. Inf., Aug., 1863, in Co. E, 21st N. Y. Vol. Inf.; in many battles; wounded at Hanover Court House and also at Second Bull Run; awarded a medal of honor for gallantry Aug. 30, 1862; m. June 8, 1877, Wayland, Steuben Co., N. Y., Hannah R. Vanvelzer, b. Dec. 27, 1857, dau. of Gilbert M. Vanvelzer and Sarah J. Bardwell. Res. Olympia, Washington.

### *Children:*

Robert Ransom, b. Nov. 16, 1875; m. Ethel Stickler. Res. Olympia, Washington. *Children:*

Myron, b. Feb. 9, 1903.

Francis, b. Dec. 8, 1903.

Rollin W., b. July 26, 1879. Res. Olympia, Washington.

Gertrude Alice, b. Jan. 8, 1883; m. Dec., 1900, Geo. Black Res. Olympia, Wash. *Children:*

Hazel, b. Nov. 25, 1901.

May, b. Jan. 28, 1904.

Robert Ransom, b. Mar., 1847; d. Dec., 1863, while a mem.  
of 126th Reg., N. Y. Vols.

Louisa Jane, b. Dec. 5, 1850; m. Goodrich.

Bethina Melvina, b. Apr. 8, 1853; m. James Clute. Res. Fill-  
more, N. Y.

Geo. Washington, b. Jan. 2, 1862. Res. Tennessee.





*FAMILY GENEALOGIES*



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### THE BULKELEY FAMILY

The Rev. Peter<sup>1</sup> Bulkeley was of the thirteenth generation from Baron Robert de Bulkeley, 1199-1216; he came to America in 1635, settled in Cambridge, Mass., and in 1636 in Concord.

The Rev. Dr. Gershom<sup>2</sup> Bulkeley, b. Dec. 6, 1636, Concord, Mass. Grad. 1655, Harvard; m. Oct. 26, 1659, Sarah Chauncy, b. June 13, 1631, Ware, England, dau. of Rev. Charles Chauncy, second President of Harvard, whose grave slab inscription in Latin is close to the first Unitarian church of Cambridge and opposite to the grounds of Harvard. Dr. Bulkeley was the pastor of the Second church in New London and removed to Wethersfield in 1667. After a pastorate of ten years he retired and practiced medicine, surgery and surveying.

Capt. Edward<sup>3</sup> Bulkeley, b. 1672; m. July 14, 1702, Dorothy Prescott, dau. of Jonathan Prescott of Concord, Mass. He was an att., collector, selectman, etc., and d. Aug. 27, 1748. His second daughter Elizabeth, b. Jan. 24, 1704-5, m. Joseph<sup>4</sup> Smith of Upper Houses. The seventh child was Gershom.

Gershom<sup>4</sup> Bulkeley, b. 1714; m. Feb. 17, 1743, Thankful Belding (Belden), dau. of Daniel Belden and Margaret Blinn.

The Rev. Gershom<sup>5</sup> Bulkeley, b. 1747; m. Mabel Huntington, grad. 1770, Yale, licensed, 1772, by Hartford South association; June, 1778, settled and installed in Upper Houses, dismissed 1808, remained here and d. Apr. 7, 1832; buried at Cromwell; m. (2) Sept. 30, 1778, Hope Warner of R. I., who d. Oct. 1, 1813, æ. sixty-three. *Children*: Two daughters and a son Leonard, who m. Polly Williams.

## THE BUTLER FAMILY.

### PART ONE.

1 Richard<sup>1</sup> Butler (Boteler) came to this country in 1633 from Braintree, Co. Essex, England, freeman at Cambridge, May 14, 1634; in 1642 a member of Hooker's Hartford church; deacon, juror, grand juror, selectman, dep. to General Court and clerk of same. Second wife was Elizabeth Bigelow. His will dated Apr. 2, 1677, closes "Written with my owne hand." He d. Aug. 6, 1684; she d. Sept. 11, 1691.

2 Joseph<sup>2</sup> Butler, b. abt. 1648, Hartford, rem., 1670, to Rocky Hill part of Wethersfield; m. (1) before Jan. 30, 1667, Mary<sup>2</sup> Goodrich, b. Nov. 13, 1651; d. June 1, 1735, dau. of William<sup>1</sup> Goodrich. He d. Dec. 10, 1732. Some of their

#### *Children:*

Richard<sup>3</sup>, b. abt. 1668; had Charles<sup>4</sup>, who had Lieut. Charles<sup>5</sup>, b. 1732, served in Rev. War, and m. Oct. 24, 1754, Azubah<sup>4</sup> Ranney (Thomas<sup>3</sup>, Thomas<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>). Their son, deacon Simeon<sup>6</sup> Butler, b. —————; d. Dec. 29, 1831.

3 Benjamin, b. 1673.

3a Gershom, b. 1684.

Mary, b. abt. 1703; m. David Edwards. (See the Edwards Family.)

3 Benjamin<sup>3</sup> Butler, b. 1673, settled in N. W. part of Upper Houses; m. Dec. 5, 1734, Thankful<sup>3</sup> Sage, b. Feb. 9, 1716 (John<sup>2</sup>, David<sup>1</sup>). He was a seafaring man and was probably on the vessel with Capt. Reuben Shailer when it was lost. (See The Stow Family). His homestead was bought by his son-in-law, Willett Ranney, of the heirs in 1761, and he sold it in Jan., 1776, to Capt. Eli Butler, and rem. to Sandisfield, Mass. The house probably built by Benjamin Butler is seen herein. The widow m. (2) Feb. 4, 1758, Elisha<sup>4</sup> Stocking, who had m. (1) Rachel Ranney and (2) Margery<sup>4</sup> Wilcox (Francis<sup>3</sup>, Samuel<sup>2</sup>, George<sup>1</sup>).

#### *Children:*

Mary, b. Sept. 7, 1735; m. Willett Ranney. (See The Ranney Family).

- Lucia, b. Sept. 21, 1736; m. Elijah Wright.  
 5 Comfort, b. Jan. 23, 1738.  
 6 Eli, b. May 26, 1740.  
 Joseph, b. Aug. 26, 1742; m. Abigail Boardman. Rem. to  
 Pittsfield, Mass.  
 Martha, b. Aug. 21, 1744; m. Thomas Wright, rem. to Rome,  
 N. Y.  
 Hannah, b. June 26, 1746; m. (1) Rev. Samuel Eells; m. (2)  
 ————— Goodrich.  
 Chloe, b. Sept. 2, 1747; m. Selah Norton.  
 7 Grace, b. Jan., 1749; m. Ebenezer Wright.  
 Margery, b. —————; m. Ebenezer Wells.

3a Gershom Butler, b. 1684, Wethersfield, Conn.; d. May 21, 1765, Upper Houses; m. 1719, Mary Deming, dau. of Jonathan and Sarah Deming; b. Oct. 24, 1692; d. Apr. 22, 1771, Upper Houses. He rem. 1717-18 to Upper Houses, settling on the west side of the road to Hartford, and next to the Wethersfield line. The homestead remained in the Butler family till 1906. Their children were baptized by Rev. Joseph Smith of Upper Houses.

*Children:*

- David, b. May 14, 1720.  
 Anne, b. Feb. 7, 1722; m. Joseph Wilcox.  
 Mille, b. Aug. 3, 1724; m. Asa Deming.  
 Gideon, b. May 29, 1727; d. Feb. 7, 1740.  
 George, b. June 19, 1730; m. (1) Anne Plum, (2) Desire  
 Dimick. His homestead is now the Henry Botell place.  
 Children: David, Selah, Silas.

3b Gershom, b. Feb. 24, 1737.

3b Gershom Butler, b. Feb. 24, 1737; m. abt. 1764 Prudence ———.

*Children:*

- 3c Gideon, bapt. July 28, 1765.  
 Josiah, bapt. July 26, 1767.  
 Gershom, bapt. May 19, 1776; d. Oct. 26, 1793, in W. I.  
 Oliver, bapt. Oct. 15, 1780; d. Jan. 2, 1798.

3c Gideon Butler, bapt. July 28, 1765; d. Oct. 10, 1793, Guadalupe, W. I.; married Mar. 3, 1785, Betsy Sage (Capt. William); bapt. Oct. 29, 1769. He rem. to Rocky Hill part of Wethersfield. She d. Feb. 3, 1804. Both have tombstones in Cromwell Cemetery. Of their

*Children:*

Anna, bapt. Sept. 17, 1786; m. Nov. 16, 1806, Upper Houses, Henry Whitmore, b. Mar. 15, 1786; d. Feb., 1873, son of Hezekiah Whitmore, b. Mar. 3, 1756; d. Feb. 27, 1842; and Elizabeth Brainard, b. Nov. 12, 1763; d. Dec. 16, 1831. *Child:*

Elvira Whitmore, b. Mar. 21, 1809; m. Phineas T. Miller. *Child:*

Ellen Elvira, b. Sept. 14, 1837; m. Oct. 8, 1855, Avery Case. *Child:*

Isabella Maria, b. June 16, 1857; m. Nov. 3, 1881, Winfield Whitney Williams, b. Feb. 27, 1851; d. Mar. 7, 1900. Widow res. Winsted, Conn.

Merritt, b. —————; d. Rocky Hill.

Horace, bapt. June 5, 1788.

William Sage, b. 1787; bapt. May 20, 1792; m. 1815, Mary Edwards, b. 1799; d. 1894. He was lost at sea, 1823. *Child:*

Emeline Edwards, b. Mar. 14, 1819; m. Oct. 9, 1839, Eli Goodrich, b. Feb. 2, 1811; d. May 24, 1882; son of Joshua Goodrich and Nancy Bulkeley. *Children:*

Mary Butler Goodrich, b. Oct., 1842; m. May, 1862, Walter Goodrich.

Susan A., b. May 9, 1848; m. Sept. 23, 1868, Rev. Daniel Bulkeley Lord, b. Feb. 14, 1839; d. June 30, 1892; son of Noble Everett Lord and Betsy Bulkeley; grad., 1864, Amherst; grad., 1863, Hartford Theo. Sem. Widow res. West Hartford, Conn. *Children:*

May Blanche, b. July 16, 1869, State Evangelist.

Bertha Emma, b. Apr. 25, 1873; m. Dec. 3, 1899, Nellis Edgar Day, son of Rev. Philemon and Henrietta Day. *Child:*

Donald Goodrich, b. Dec. 21, 1901.

Arthur Goodrich, b. Apr. 8, 1877; m. June 26, 1899, Grace Elizabeth Soper. *Child:*

Barbara Smith, b. Sept. 1, 1906.

Grace Belle, b. May 24, 1881.

Ruth Violet, b. Mar. 24, 1888.

5 Comfort<sup>4</sup> Butler, b. Jan. 23, 1738, Upper Houses; m. May 2, 1762, Sybil<sup>4</sup> Ranney, b. Aug. 29, 1744; d. Aug. 16, 1781 (Capt. Daniel<sup>3</sup>, Joseph<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>). He m. (2) Feb. 1, 1790, Elinor Bush, widow of Stephen Bush of Chatham, Conn. He rem. with his son, Benjamin, to the Catskills, N. Y.

*Children:*

Mary, b. Nov. 13, 1763; m. Aug. 2, 1792, Reuben<sup>5</sup> Kirby (Thomas<sup>4</sup>, John<sup>3</sup>, Joseph<sup>2</sup>, John<sup>1</sup>). He d. June 29, 1833, Upper Houses; she d. May 31, 1853, Hartford, Conn.

Benjamin, b. May 25, 1765; m. June 22, 1787, Mary Treadway, who d. Jan. 15, 1843. He rem. to the Catskills and his father went with him. *Children:* Mary, Harriet, Clarissa, James, Harry (see "Ancient Wethersfield").

Capt. James<sup>5</sup>, b. June 4, 1767; m. Sept. 28, 1800, Clarissa Sage, b. May 27, 1776, dau. of Capt. William Sage. He d. at sea, Jan. 2, 1807; she d. Oct. 11, 1836. *Children:*

James, b. Aug. 7, 1803.

8 Clarissa<sup>6</sup>, b. Oct. 27, 1805.

Capt. Daniel, bapt. July 9, 1769; m. Mary Keith, bapt. Mar. 30, 1777, dau. of William. He d. at sea, 1813. She d. Apr. 11, 1812, buried in Cromwell. His portrait is given herewith.

6 Capt. Eli<sup>4</sup> Butler, b. May 26, 1740, Upper Houses; m. Feb. 26, 1765, Rachel Stocking, b. Jan. 29, 1743, dau. of Elisha<sup>4</sup> Stocking (Daniel<sup>3</sup>, Samuel<sup>2</sup>, George<sup>1</sup>) and Margery<sup>5</sup> Wilcox, b. Aug. 4, 1720; d. June 29, 1757 (Francis<sup>4</sup>, Samuel<sup>3</sup>, John<sup>2</sup>, John<sup>1</sup>). He was in the militia in 1774, marched on receipt of battle of Lexington, served for some years in the Rev. army, being captain of a Troop of Horse. In 1789 he went to Whitestown and located his sons, John and Sylvester, in what became the town of Paris. In 1793 he made another trip and purchased for himself in what is New Hartford. In 1795 he rem. there. He became a mem. of Amicable Lodge, F. & A. M., the first in the English settlement. He and his wife remained on the farm while they lived. She d. Sept. 1, 1805. He d. Apr. 19, 1802. They were buried in the old South St. burying ground in New Hartford. In 1903 they were removed to the Forest Hill Cemetery, Utica, and placed in the Butler vault, the old head stones being used in the construction of the vault. There were four sons and six daughters, of their

*Children:*

Ashbel<sup>5</sup>, b. Nov. 28, 1765; m. Apr. 5, 1791, Sarah<sup>5</sup> Williams (Jehel<sup>4</sup>), b. Mar. 12, 1770; d. Feb. 22, 1862. He rem. with brothers to New Hartford, N. Y., and died Mar. 8, 1828. *Children:*

Horace<sup>6</sup>, m. Hannah Wilbur. *Child*, James Laurence.

Chester<sup>6</sup>, b. ———; died 1854; m. Nancy Ellenwood.

*Children:*

William<sup>7</sup>, b. 1816; *child:*

Walter L.<sup>8</sup>, res. Chicago, Ill.

Mary E.<sup>7</sup>, m. James Littlewood. Res. Beloit, Wis.

*Child*: George<sup>8</sup>.

Henry Ashbel, b. 1829; was merchant in Ottawa, Ill.

Hiram<sup>8</sup>, has son, C. Worden<sup>9</sup> Butler, who res. Buffalo, N. Y. *Child*:

Charles<sup>10</sup>, res. Jamestown, N. Y. *Child*: Oscar<sup>11</sup>.

9 Sylvester<sup>5</sup>, b. 1767.

9a John, b. Mar. 28, 1769.

10 Eli<sup>5</sup>, b. Mar. 28, 1779.

7 Grace<sup>4</sup> Butler, b. Jan., 1749; m. Nov. 13, 1768, Ebenezer Wright, b. Jan. 14, 1742, Wethersfield, Conn.; d. Sept. 2, 1808, Rome, N. Y. Lieut. in Rev. War. He and his wife were two of the four who were the original members of the Presb. church of Rome, N. Y. A brother, Thomas Wright, had married Martha Butler, b. Aug. 21, 1744, sister of Grace. These brothers, with Willett Ranney who had married Mary Butler, another sister, founded, 1787, "Wright's settlement," now Rome, N. Y.

*Child*:

William<sup>5</sup> Wright, b. July 1, 1778, Wethersfield; d. Apr. 29, 1836, Rome, N. Y.; m. Dec. 17, 1807, Mary S. Ely, descended from Nathaniel Ely of Hooker's Hartford company. *Child*:

William<sup>6</sup> Wright, b. Feb. 19, 1809, Rome, N. Y.; d. May 16, 1886, Rome, N. Y. Was educated at Col. Partridge's Mil. Acad. and Hamilton Coll. Was an hydraulic engineer; m. Aug. 23, 1832, Maria Roberts, dau. of Aaron Roberts, who was son of Giles Roberts of Middletown, Conn., b. 1703; killed Sept. 20, 1773, by falling from a tree. *Child*:

Mary Ely<sup>7</sup> Wright, b. Nov. 16, 1850, Rome, N. Y.; m.

May 5, 1880, Charles Ellis, whose father came from Wales in 1840. Res. Rome, N. Y. *Children*:

Fanny Henrietta<sup>8</sup>, b. Oct. 5, 1882.

Christine Maria, b. Jan. 26, 1885.

Ruth Margery, b. Apr. 1, 1889.

8 Clarissa<sup>6</sup> Butler (Capt. James<sup>5</sup>, Comfort<sup>4</sup>), b. Oct. 27, 1805, Upper Houses; d. Jan. 28, 1897; m. Oct. 18, 1827, Stillman King Wightman, b. Jan. 8, 1803, Scituate, R. I.; d. May 27, 1899, New York. Mr. Wightman was fourteen years of age when his father became pastor of the Baptist church in the Upper Houses, and it was his first night in a village, which he spent at Deacon William



Ranney's ("Minister's Tavern"). He was prepared for Yale College by the Rev. Joshua Lewis Williams; grad. 1825; adm. to the bar, 1827. His father occupied, 1817-1832, the present D. B. Marsh house, and Mr. S. K. Wightman found his wife next door in the Capt. Daniel Ranney house. It did not require both the Cong. and the Baptist pastors to tie the conjugal knot, but it did help to draw the two churches into a more congenial relationship. Miss Mary Ann Latimer, seen in this book, was bridesmaid and Mrs. James Ranney was present.

Mr. Wightman was an active lawyer, residing in Middletown, Judge of Probate, State's Attorney for Middlesex County, two years a State senator, four years a representative, and for two years Speaker of the House. He was, as a member, instrumental in the passage of a bill abolishing imprisonment for debt, and of one funding the Western Reserve land money of \$2,000,000 for a common school fund. In 1843 he removed to New York and entered on the practice of the law; in 1852 took his oldest son into partnership. He continued in the active practice of the law and with vigorous health till a very short time of his death, May 27, 1899.

*Children:*

- 8a Frederick Butler<sup>r</sup>, b. May 2, 1829.  
 Clarissa King, b. Feb. 19, 1831; d. June 26, 1833.  
 James Stillman, b. Mar. 20, 1833; m. (1) Nov. 26, 1863,  
 Lillie Hunter, b. —————; d. June 19, 1868; m. (2)  
 Sept. 21, 1885, Mrs. S. Hattie Whitlock. Architect; res.  
 Mt. Vernon, N. Y. *Child:*  
 Edward Stillman, b. Sept. 12, 1864; d. June 14, 1893.  
 Edward King, b. Apr. 27, 1835; grad. Coll. of City of New  
 York; killed, Jan. 15, 1865, at Fort Fisher.  
 Charles Stephens, b. Mar. 9, 1837; m. Dec. 20, 1882, Mary  
 Earle, b. Feb. 21, 1836, Oyster Bay, N. Y.; d. Jan. 2,  
 1901. Pastor of Baptist church at Oyster Bay, N. Y.  
 since 1869. Res. Oyster Bay, N. Y.  
 Mary Clarissa, b. Sept. 24, 1839; d. July 19, 1890.  
 Ellen Augusta Hunter, b. Nov. 21, 1841; d. Dec. 9, 1899.

8a Frederick Butler<sup>r</sup> Wightman, b. May 2, 1829; m. ————,  
 Abbie Hartley, b. Feb. 23, 1836, dau. of Robert Milham Hartley  
 and Catherine Munson, dau. of Reuben Munson. Practicing law-  
 yer in N. Y. City; res. Orchard Place, New Rochelle, N. Y.

*Children:*

- Clara Belle Wightman, b. and d. Jan. 16, 1860.

- Frederick Hartley Wightman, b. Oct. 26, 1864; d. Aug. 7, 1894; m. June 23, 1891, Cecilia G. Proud.
- Rev. Percy Butler Wightman, b. Feb. 13, 1871; grad. 1893, N. Y. Uni.; 1896, grad. Auburn Theo. Sem.; 1896-8, asst. pastor Westminster Presby. ch., Buffalo, N. Y.; 1898-9, post grad. study New Coll., Edinburgh, Scotland, and Auburn Theo. Sem.; 1899-1904, pastor Presb. ch. Fayetteville, N. Y.; 1904, Uni. Heights Presb. ch., N. Y. City; m. Oct., 1900, Edith Lewis Booth, dau. of Rev. Henry M. Booth, D. D., L.L. D., Pres. Auburn Theo. Sem.; res. N. Y. City. *Children*:
- Henry Booth, b. Aug. 8, 1901.
- Catherine Hartley, b. Apr. 30, 1904.
- Orrin Sage Wightman, b. May 6, 1873; m. Nov. 9, 1905, Purl Parker, b. May 5, 1878, dau. of Purl and Flora Abington Parker, of Providence, R. I.; grad. 1887, public school, No. 68, N. Y. City; 1895, grad. N. Y. Uni.; 1896, in Europe; 1898, grad. N. Y. Uni. Med. Coll.; 1899-1900, Gouverneur Hospital; mem. N. Y. State and County Med. Soc., Fellow of Acad. Med., contributor to current literature. In practice N. Y. City; res. 113 W. Seventy-eighth street.
- Robert Stillman Wightman, b. Sept. 9, 1875; grad. 1897, N. Y. Uni.; 1898 in Europe; 1900, grad. Auburn Theo. Sem.; ord. Presb. clergyman; 1900-1905, missionary in Adirondack Mts.; 1907, pastor Presb. ch., Waterford, N. Y.; m. June 14, 1904, Bessie M. Hartley, dau. of E. C. Hartley of Schenectady, N. Y.

[WIGHTMAN LINEAGE—Edward Wightman and Frances Darby were married, Sept. 2, 1593, at Burton-on-Trent, England. He was the last to suffer death, being burnt at the stake for religious liberty at Litchfield, England, April 11, 1612.

Johannus Wightman, b. Jan. 7, 1599.

George<sup>1</sup> Wightman, b. 1632, Eng., came with brother Valentine to this country, settled in Kings Town, R. I.; m. Elizabeth Updike.

George<sup>2</sup> Wightman, b. Jan. 8, 1673; d. 1761; m. (1) Elizabeth; m. (2) Sarah Ladd of Warwick, R. I.

John<sup>3</sup> Wightman, b. 1701; m. 1722, Phēbe Havens of Kings Town, R. I. Had twelve children.

Elisha<sup>4</sup> Wightman, b. Dec. 13, 1728; m. Sybil \_\_\_\_\_, of Cranston, R. I.

John<sup>4</sup> Wightman, b. \_\_\_\_\_; m. \_\_\_\_\_, Sarah, dau. of John Green of Warwick, R. I.; she d. Apr. 1, 1800.



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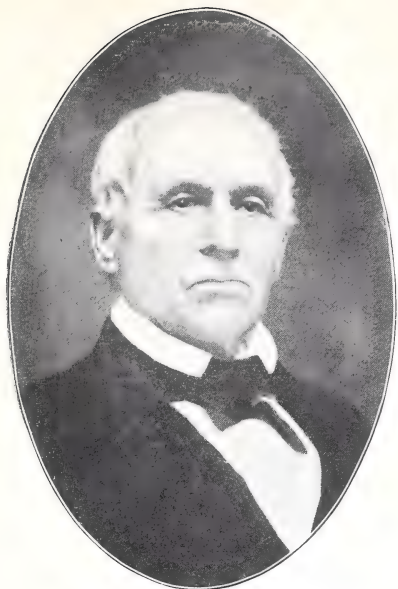
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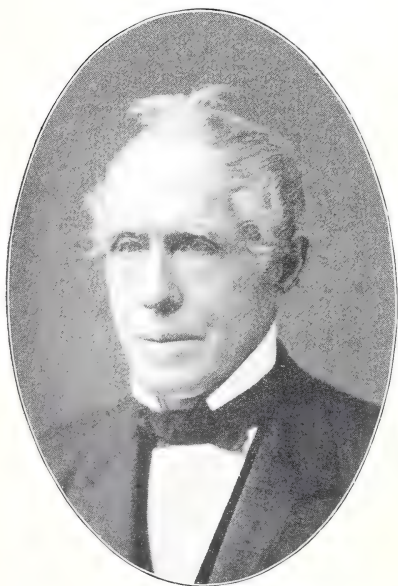
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STILLMAN KING WIGHTMAN AND WIFE  
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Rev. Frederick<sup>5</sup> Wightman, b. Apr. 11, 1779, Warwick, R. I.; m. Aug. 18, 1801, Coventry, R. I., Polly King, (dau. of Joseph 1), who was b. Jan. 14, 1773; d. Aug. 29, 1849, at Cromwell. He d. Oct. 5, 1856, Cromwell.

The Rev. Mr. Wightman was first settled in Apr., 1806, in Ashford, Conn. In 1817, became pastor of the Second Baptist ch. of Middletown Upper Houses. Kept a record of all marriages and funerals at which he officiated. He resided in the "Charles Wilcox" house, now owned and occupied by D. B. Marsh. In 1832 he rem. to East Lyme. In 1837 he returned to the ch. in Upper Houses. In 1839 settled in Haddam. In 1842 to Wethersfield. In 1846 again in East Lyme. In 1849 he returned to Upper Houses to reside in the "Capt. Daniel Ranney" house, where he remained till death.]

9 Sylvester<sup>5</sup> Butler (Capt. Eli<sup>4</sup>), bapt. May 3, 1767, Upper Houses; settled in New Hartford, N. Y., abt. 1793; d. 1805; m. 1792, Lydia Wetmore, b. 1772, Middletown, Conn., d. 1855, dau. of Joseph Wetmore, b. 1738, d. Aug. 5, 1814, and Beata Bradley, b. 1753, d. Mar. 25, 1774.

*Children:*

Lucy, b. Aug. 11, 1794; d. 1802.

10a Sylvester Eli, b. Nov. 25, 1796.

Lucy Beata, b. Jan. 8, 1799; d. Jan. 13, 1871.

Joseph Wetmore, b. June, 1801; d. Aug. 27, 1862.

9a John Butler, b. Mar. 28, 1769; m. Hannah Todd, dau. of Capt. Asa Todd of Wallingford, Conn.; came, 1789, to Paris, New York, with brother Sylvester. Built and owned the Franklin Cotton factory.

Chauncey Sage Butler, fourth child, b. Dec. 27, 1802; in 1823 bought a farm next to his father; became a civil engineer. Built a house in Sanquoit village, where he died Mar. 25, 1893. In 1853 was one of the organizers of the Oneida Co. Bank of Utica. Became Colonel of 6th Reg.; m. May 9, 1826, Elizabeth Mosher, who d. Mar. 29, 1836.

*Children:*

John Milton, b. July 9, 1827; grad., 1848, Hamilton; entered, 1853, Oneida Co. Bank as book-keeper, held various positions till 1887, when he became president; never married.

Charles A., b. ———, is now with the bank. Res. Utica, New York.

Elizabeth J., b. ———; d. 1906; m. Sept. 11, 1861, Publius V. Rogers, b. Dec. 30, 1824; d. July 2, 1895; a descendant of Thomas Rogers, one of the Mayflower Co., eminent in banking circles of Utica; grad., 1846, Hamilton. Gave \$75,000 to the institution. *Child*: Charles Butler Rogers, b. ———; m. Jan. 31, 1894, Susan Brayton of Utica. Succeeded his father in the banking business. Res. Utica, N. Y.

10 Eli<sup>5</sup> Butler (Capt. Eli<sup>4</sup>), b. Mar. 28, 1779, Upper Houses; m. Sept. 1, 1806, Rachel Kellogg, b. June 11, 1788, New Hartford, Conn.; d. Apr. 18, 1871, dau. of Truman Kellogg and Hannah Merrill of New Hartford, Conn. The Butler transfer to New York State in 1795 was made with seven ox-teams. He inherited the homestead farm and died on it, Sept. 3, 1832. The farm then became the property of his son Morgan, who occupied it till his death in 1901. Eli<sup>5</sup> was cornet of Troop in the 6th Reg. N. Y. Militia, his commission being signed Nov. 13, 1816, by Gov. D. D. Tompkins. There were four sons and four daughters of which

Morgan, b. June 7, 1807; d. Aug. 3, 1892; inherited the homestead on which he was born, and resided on it until 1890, when he removed into the village of New Hartford. He was a progressive farmer, owning the first mowing machine in the county; became an expert judge of fine cattle, and for years president of Central New York Farmers' Club. He was a bugler and assisted in escorting La Fayette in 1825. He built at a cost of \$20,000 Butler Memorial Hall and presented it to the town. His sisters gave the library. He married, Feb. 10, 1841, Miss Marianne Howard, dau. of Rufus Howard and Nancy Hungerford. Baptized in the Presbyterian Church, he became an Episcopalian, and for years was its senior warden and treasurer.

*Children:*

Francis<sup>6</sup> Butler, b. Dec. 23, 1808, New Hartford, N. Y.; d. Nov. 21, 1889; m. May 12, 1853, Harriette Sherrill, b. Sept. 28, 1817; d. Dec. 25, 1887. *Children*: Morgan Sherrill<sup>7</sup>, b. Apr. 28, 1856; d. May 1, 1856. Emily Huntington, b. Sept. 1, 1858; m. Sept. 28, 1880, the Rev. Israel Newton Terry, D. D., b. Feb. 20, 1851, So. Weymouth, Mass., whose father was a well-known clergyman. Grad. 1871, Amherst Coll; grad. 1875, Hartford Theo. Sem.; post grad. 1876, Union Sem.

For fifteen years was pastor Presb. ch., New Hartford, N. Y. Is pastor of Westminster Presb. ch., Utica, N. Y.

10a Sylvester Eli<sup>6</sup> Butler, b. Nov. 25, 1796; d. Aug. 13, 1857; m. Mar. 18, 1819, Patty Luce, b. Jan. 27, 1799; d. May 31, 1878; dau. of Rufus Luce, b. July 17, 1765, d. Jan. 10, 1806, and his wife, Levina.

*Children:*

Lucy, b. Sept. 17, 1820; d. Oct. 17, 1898; m. Apr. 28, 1841, Erastus Buck Mason, b. Oct. 23, 1817; d. Mar. 4, 1890; son of Isaac Mason, b. Nov. 23, 1785, d. July 17, 1858, and Laura Potter, b. Jan. 14, 1790, d. Dec. 10, 1879, New Hartford, N. Y. *Children:*

George Henry, b. Mar. 11, 1842; d. Dec. 8, 1865.

Emily B., b. Oct. 29, 1850; m. Mar. 15, 1877, Willis H. Ferris. Res. New Hartford, N. Y. *Children:*

Minnie, b. May 28, 1878; m. Dec. 6, 1899, Charles Fuller. Res. Ilion, N. Y. *Children:*

Muriel, b. Dec. 23, 1903.

Lester, b. Aug. 27, 1906.

Lynn M., b. Sept. 3, 1884.

Roy B., b. Jan. 26, 1887.

Abigail, b. June 11, 1822; d. June 27, 1907; m. May 10, 1843, Lewis Rogers, b. June 28, 1821; d. Oct. 4, 1900; son of Oliver and Deborah Rogers. *Children:*

Lewis Eugene, b. May 8, 1847; d. June 26, 1877; m. Nov. 23, 1876, Imogene Kinney, who m. (?) John Culliton, and res. Clayton, N. Y.

Lucie Butler, b. Apr. 27, 1855; m. Oct. 18, 1882, Edward C. Hare, son of Chauncey S. Hare and Harriet Church. Res. Utica, N. Y. *Child:*

Lucie Eugenie, b. May 11, 1884.

Emily, b. Oct. 9, 1824; d. Sept. 28, 1841.

Beata, b. Jan. 10, 1829; d. Feb. 22, 1830.

Henry Sylvester, b. Aug. 27, 1831, Co. E, 2d N. Y. H. A.; d. Aug. 28, 1864, in Army Hosp., Washington, D. C.

Charles Harrison, b. Dec. 10, 1839; d. Mar. 4, 1840.

Mary, July 26, 1841; m. Sept. 26, 1864, William Henry Price, b. Nov. 14, 1819; d. Aug. 18, 1883; son of Peter Price, a sea captain, and Elizabeth Laurence. Accountant, Epis., F. & A. M. Widow res. Utica, N. Y.

*Children:*

Harry Laurence Price, b. Nov. 29, 1866; m. Nov., 1896.

Montana, Berdie Owen. Res. Salt Lake City, Utah.  
 Charles Butler Price, b. Oct. 25, 1869; m. Nov. 15, 1893,  
 Emily Snyder, dau. of Rudolph and Elizabeth Snyder.  
 Res. Chicago, Ill. *Child*:  
 Mary Elizabeth Butler, b. Apr. 22, 1895.

## PART TWO.

11 Richard<sup>5</sup> Butler (George<sup>4</sup>, Jonathan<sup>3</sup>, Ensign Samuel<sup>2</sup>, Dea. Richard<sup>1</sup>), b. June 30, 1756, Hartford, Conn.; m. (1) May 12, 1786, Middletown, Conn., Lucy<sup>5</sup> Ranney, b. Apr. 24, 1762; d. Jan. 27, 1815, Windsor, Conn.; m. (2) widow Mary Griswold. He d. Feb. 10, 1833, Windsor, Conn. (See the Ranney Family.)

*Children:*

Nancy, b. Mar. 19, 1787; d. after 1838, Hartford, Conn.  
 12 Richard, b. Dec. 12, 1788.  
 Walter, b. Feb. 19, 1791; d. after 1838; m. Eunice Barber.

*Children:*

Charles.  
 Elizabeth.  
 Frances Ellen.  
 George, b. Oct. 18, 1793; d. infant.  
 13 George Stephen, b. July 8, 1795.  
 Daniel Ranney, b. Aug. 31, 1797; d. July 29, 1838, New Albany, Ind.  
 Lucy Ranney, b. Apr. 12, 1800; d. after 1838, Hartford.  
 Charles Frederick, b. June 24, 1803; d. abt. 1823.  
 Mary Ann, b. Apr. 16, 1805; d. young.

12 Richard<sup>6</sup> Butler, b. Dec. 12, 1788, Hartford, Conn.; m. Sept. 29, 1818, Newark, N. J., Abby Congar, b. Oct. 3, 1789, Newark, N. J., dau. of Joseph Congar and Hannah Van Riper. In 1820 they rem. to Louisville, Ky., where he was a dry goods merchant and d. June 15, 1827. The widow removed her children and her husband's business across the river to New Albany, Ind., where she left an estate of \$50,000. She d. Sept. 22, 1873.

*Children:*

Lucy Ranney, b. Nov. 12, 1819, Newark, N. J.; d. 1872, New Albany, Ind.; m. James Reed Shields. No children.  
 14 Richard Lewis, b. Jan. 28, 1821.  
 Anna Holbrook, b. ———; d. young.  
 15 Joseph Congar, b. Jan. 3, 1827.



13 George Stephen<sup>6</sup> Butler (Richard<sup>5</sup>), b. July 8, 1795, Hartford, Conn.; m. May 17, 1826, Hartford, Conn., Cornelia Warner, b. May 5, 1800, Hartford, Conn.; d. Nov. 30, 1868, New Albany, Ind., dau. of Jonah Whiting Warner (descendant of Andrew<sup>1</sup> Warner of Hartford and Middletown) and Elizabeth Ostrander. He rem. to Louisville, Ky., where he engaged in business. On a trip to New Orleans he contracted yellow fever of which he died Aug. 5, 1831, Louisville; Warden of Christ ch. On the widow's death the family rem. to Oswego, N. Y.

*Children:*

Mary Elizabeth<sup>7</sup>, b. Feb. 11, 1827; d. Aug. 20, 1905; m. Oct. 7, 1847, Walter Mann, b. Sept. 16, 1827; d. Aug. 16, 1892, St. Paul, Minn., son of Asa Mann and Frelove Clark. *Children:*

Cornelia, b. Apr. 23, 1849; d. Mar. 20, 1876.

Walter Butler, b. Sept. 26, 1851; d. Sept. 6, 1865.

17 Eliza Stewart<sup>8</sup>, b. Sept. 23, 1859; m. Dr. C. E. Smith.

Catherine Phelps, b. June 28, 1861; d. Feb. 19, 1897.

Frederick Clark, b. Apr. 28, 1868; m. Jan. 29, 1896, Carrie Agnes Hill. No children; res. St. Paul, Minn.

Charles Edward<sup>8</sup>, b. July 9, 1870; m. Oct. 15, 1895, Annie Harrison Comstock; res. Minneapolis, Minn. *Children:*

Stewart Harrison<sup>9</sup>, b. Dec. 26, 1903.

George Comstock<sup>9</sup>, b. Aug. 30, 1906.

Cornelia Ann, b. Apr. 1, 1828; d. unm., June 27, 1848.

16 Charles Henry<sup>7</sup>, b. Oct. 19, 1829.

Georgiana, b. Feb. 21, 1831; d. Nov. 19, 1881; m. Dr. Charles Bowman. *Child:*

Cornelia, b. 1856.

14 Richard Lewis<sup>7</sup> Butler, b. Jan. 28, 1821, Louisville, Ky.; d. Mar. 19, 1893, De Land, Fla.; m. Dec. 22, 1853, Elizabeth Holt of Columbus, Ga., b. July 2, 1827; d. Dec. 19, 1896, Atlanta, Ga., dau. of Dr. Leroy Holt and Mary Chandler. He was ed. at Princeton Uni; principal, fifteen years, of Male High School of Louisville, ten years of New Albany, Ind., schools. For many years ruling elder of the Covenant Presb. ch. of Louisville. When his health failed he rem. to De Land, where he died.

*Children:*

Mary Sankey, b. Dec. 2, 1854; unm.; res. Atlanta, Ga.

Lucy Shields, b. Sept. 19, 1856; m. 1893, Edw. J. Daniels; res. De Land, Fla.

- Martha Holt, b. July 26, 1858; m. Dec. 22, 1880, John B. Lapsley, b. Feb. 3, 1847; d. 1903. *Children:*  
 Aylette, b. Oct. 15, 1883; res. Atlanta, Ga.  
 John W., b. Dec. 24, 1885; res. Selma, Ala.  
 Chandler, b. Mar. 16, 1888.  
 Fairfax, b. July 3, 1890.  
 Robert, b. June 20, 1893.  
 Martha B., b. May 18, 1899.  
 Thaddeus Goode, b. Mar. 3, 1860; d. Sept. 22, 1876.  
 Abby Congar, b. Aug. 10, 1862; res. Atlanta, Ga.  
 Richard Lewis, b. Mar. 17, 1866; m. Katherine Dozier; res. Atlanta, Ga. *Child:*  
 Richard Lewis, b. Oct. 21, 1899.  
 Elizabeth Anderson, b. Aug. 17, 1870; d. May, 1892.

15 Joseph Congar<sup>r</sup> Butler, b. Jan. 3, 1827, Louisville, Ky.; d. Jan. 13, 1893, Louisville; m. May 30, 1849, Greensburg, Ind., Mary Ann Pilling, b. Nov. 22, 1826, Bedford, Pa.; d. May 3, 1890, Louisville, Ky., dau. of George Washington Pilling and Elizabeth Stook. He was an expert accountant and conducted an optical establishment.

*Children:*

- James Gillespie, b. May 4, 1850, New Albany, Ind.; d. Apr. 27, 1889, Louisville; m. June 16, 1872, Amanda Butler, dau. of Isaac Butler and Elizabeth Stuart. *Children:*  
 Albert Le Conte, b. Feb. 28, 1874; d. Jan., 1903.  
 Amy Stuart, b. Feb. 13, 1878; m. ————. 1900, John Baltis; res. Louisville, Ky.  
 Mary Louisa, b. ————; d. infant.  
 Laura Bell, b. Jan. 12, 1859, New Albany, Ind.; m. Sept. 18, 1883, Louisville, Ky., Glendy Burke Taylor, b. July 9, 1857, Bainbridge, Ky., son of John Alexander Taylor and Minerva Jane Sloan; res. Louisville, Ky. *Children:*  
 Cary Emerson, b. Jan. 29, 1885.  
 Eugene Woodruff, b. May 10, 1887; d. May 21, 1890.  
 Anna Cornelia, b. Apr. 11, 1862, Louisville, Ky.; m. July 6, 1893, Chicago, Ill., Robert Emmett Davenport, son of John M. Davenport and Elvira Morton. No children; res. Louisville, Ky.  
 Walter Pilling, b. Sept. 13, 1866, Louisville, Ky.; m. Jan. 22, 1895, Chicago, Ill., Josephine Kofrank. No children; res. Chicago, Ill.

16 Charles Henry<sup>r</sup> Butler (George Stephen<sup>o</sup>), b. Oct. 19, 1829,

Louisville, Ky.; d. Oct. 8, 1905, Oswego, N. Y.; m. Oct. 9, 1860, Catherine Slocum, b. June 27, 1836; d. July 14, 1902, Oswego, N. Y., dau. of Matthew Barnard Slocum and Mary Ostrander. He was druggist, Rep., F. & A. M., Epis.

*Children:*

Georgiana, b. Feb. 18, 1862; m. May 31, 1906, Miles City, Mont., Dr. Edward A. Mattoon; res. Sapulpa, Indian Territory.

Charles Warner, b. Dec. 24, 1863; m. June 6, 1900, Lisbon, N. Dak., Jessie Rawson, b. Apr. 10, 1879, Northfield, Minn., dau. of Willis Rawson and Sarah Alice Converse. F. & A. M., Epis., Rep., cashier of bank; res. Miles City, Montana. *Children:*

Charles Willis, b. Mar. 31, 1901.

Walter Rawson, b. Aug. 17, 1904.

17 Eliza Stewart<sup>8</sup> Marn (Mary Elizabeth Butler<sup>7</sup>), b. Sept. 23, 1859, New Albany, Ind.; m. Aug. 5, 1880, St. Paul, Minn., Dr. Charles Eastwick Smith, son of Franklin R. Smith and Mary Guest of Philadelphia. Mrs. Smith is an extensive traveler, D. A. R., Col. Dames, Descendant of Colonial Governors; res. St. Paul, Minn.

*Children:*

Mary Guest<sup>9</sup>, b. Oct. 7, 1881.

Charles Eastwick, b. Jan. 14, 1883, grad. 1904, Yale, student Penn. Med. Uni., class of 1908.

*Comfort Butler*

## THE CLARK FAMILY.

1 William<sup>1</sup> Clark of Hartford was one of the founders in 1662 of the town of Haddam. He had four sons.

2 John<sup>2</sup> Clark, b. —————, Hartford; m. Elizabeth<sup>3</sup> White (Nathaniel<sup>2</sup>, John<sup>1</sup>), b. Mar. 7, 1655, Upper Houses. He purchased, Mar. 21, 1681, the southern half of the Thomas Hubbard place and d. thereon July 26, 1731; on Sept. 7, 1720, he executed deeds to his three sons of all his real property and on the same day executed in one deed all his personal property to his daughters, the latter never having been recorded, but was executed before Thomas Ward, Justice of the Peace. The homestead was given to his son John. Nathaniel's ten acres, "whereon he dwelt," was on the east side of the road to Hartford near where the Swedish church stands. To Daniel he gave the six acres, "whereon he dwelt," and was where the Henry W. Stocking house stands. His wife d. Dec. 25, 1711; he July 26, 1731, and a headstone locates his grave.

### *Children:*

Nathaniel, b. Apr. 18, 1676; m. Oct. 27, 1702, Sarah Graves, b. Feb. 15, 1679, Hatfield, Mass., whose mother, Sarah (White) Graves, was dau. of Serg. John<sup>2</sup> White, the brother of Capt. Nathaniel<sup>2</sup> White. *Child:*

John, b. Aug. 24, 1704; m. Jane<sup>5</sup> Wilcox (Janna<sup>4</sup>, Ephraim<sup>3</sup>).

3 John, b. June 14, 1679.

4 Daniel, b. Aug. 30, 1680.

Elizabeth, b. Apr. 3, 1685; m. Ebenezer Selden of Hadley, Mass., who d. 1740. She was living in 1746.

Mary, b. Apr. 3, 1691; d. in infancy.

Sarah, b. Sept. 8, 1692; m. Feb. 17, 1720, John Shepard. (See the Shepard Family.)

White, b. Nov. 4, 1693; m. (1) Joseph Cole of Wethersfield; m. (2) Mar. 22, 1744, Samuel Smith of Middletown.

Mary, b. May 4, 1695; m. James Thompson of Brimfield, Mass.

3 John<sup>3</sup> Clark, b. June 14, 1679, Upper Houses; m. May 9,

1710, Sarah Goodwin of Hartford. In 1737 he sold his homestead to Henry Bassell of Newport, R. I., and rem. to "Clark's Hill," the earliest settler in what is now East Hampton, a part of the town of Chatham, being then the easternmost part of the town of Middletown. He resided on this homestead until his death, 1771; she d. Oct. 19, 1781, aged ninety-nine years. He gave each of his children a farm, having amassed considerable property.

*Children:*

- Ebenezer<sup>4</sup>, b. July 12, 1711; m. (1) June 21, 1733, Abigail Wetmore, dau. of Joseph and Hannah Wetmore. She d. Apr. 9, 1738 and he m. (2) Sept. 20, 1739, Ann Warner. He was one of the first deacons in the East Hampton ch.; rem., 1756, to Judea Parish, now Washington, Conn., where he was deacon for forty-four years and d. Apr. 5, 1800. She d. Mar. 3, 1795, aged seventy-nine. He had Abigail and Jedediah by his first wife and nine children by his second wife.
- William<sup>4</sup>, b. Aug. 31, 1713; m. Feb. 7, 1744, Mary Wright. He was a shoemaker and his account book is owned by Arthur W. Clark. He res. near his father and d. Sept. 26, 1812; she d. Feb. 16, 1797. Four daughters and these sons:
- 5 Stephen, b. June 23, 1754.  
 Samuel, b. July 27, 1758.
- John<sup>4</sup>, b. Dec. 9, 1715; m. Feb. 1, 1744, Sarah<sup>5</sup> White, b. Oct. 24, 1724, East Middletown, dau. of Nathaniel<sup>4</sup> (Daniel<sup>3</sup>, Nathaniel<sup>2</sup>, John<sup>1</sup>). She d. June 26, 1780. He was chosen deacon to take the place of his brother Ebenezer, and d. Aug. 8, 1809. He lived on the homestead of his father and kept the public house on the old bridle path from Providence to Middletown. The hotel sign is preserved. Of their *children*:
- John, b. Mar. 15, 1745.  
 Daniel, b. Oct. 13, 1752; a Rev. soldier.  
 Elijah, b. Nov. 1, 1756; d. in Rev. army.
- 6 David, b. May 23, 1760.  
 Moses, b. Nov. 23, 1766.  
 Moses, b. Mar. 25, 1718.
- Aaron, b. Mar. 2, 1721; m. Nov. 5, 1747, Mary<sup>5</sup> White, b. June 16, 1722, East Middletown (Dea. Joseph<sup>4</sup>, Daniel<sup>3</sup>, Nathaniel<sup>2</sup>, John<sup>1</sup>). Five daughters and one son,  
 Aaron, b. Mar. 30, 1753.

4 Daniel<sup>3</sup> Clark (John<sup>2</sup>, William<sup>1</sup>), b. Aug. 30, 1680; m. July 12, 1704, Elizabeth Wetmore (Whitmore), dau. of John Whitmore and Abigail<sup>3</sup> Warner (Andrew<sup>2</sup>, Andrew<sup>1</sup>). His father had purchased for him the "Anthony Martin" homestead and he purchased, 1709, the corner lot of the Samuel Hall homestead whereon he erected a cooper shop. He d. Mar., 1725, and the widow m. (2) Nov., 1726, Capt. William Savage, who d. Jan., 1727, and she m. (3) ————— Williams, and d. Jan. 31, 1743.

*Children:*

Hannah, b. Sept. 20, 1705; m. William Sumner.  
 Daniel, b. July 3, 1707; d. Apr. 20, 1753; m. Sept. 21, 1732,  
     Mary Wilcox.  
 Abigail, b. Mar. 25, 1709.  
 Elizabeth, b. Aug. 30, 1711.  
 Francis, b. Feb. 8, 1714.  
 Elisha, b. Mar. 12, 1716; m. 1738, Sarah Smith. *Children:*  
     Elisha.  
     Lemuel.  
 Martha, b. Mar. 17, 1718.  
 Joseph, b. Sept. 5, 1720.

5 Stephen<sup>4</sup> Clark, b. June 23, 1754; m. Feb. 28, 1782, Prudence Hale, who d. Oct. 3, 1852, aged ninety-eight. He was a Rev. soldier, had seen seven generations and at the time of his death had great-great-grandchildren living. He d. Oct. 3, 1852, East Hampton, Conn.

*Children:*

William, b. July 3, 1783.  
 Rhoda, b. Mar. 10, 1785; m. Dec. 11, 1805, Timothy Abbe of  
     Enfield.  
 Amy.  
 Amy.  
 7 Horace, b. Sept. 21, 1793.

6 David<sup>4</sup> Clark, b. May 23, 1760; m. (1) Sept. 19, 1782, Jerusha Hall (Capt. Abijah), who d. Aug. 24, 1800; m. (2) Nov. 15, 1801, Eunice Griffith, who d. July 27, 1811; m. (3) Mehitable Hubbard. He kept the public house after the death of his brother and was quite prominent in the affairs of the town, was the first W. M. of Warren Lodge, No. 51, F. & A. M. He d. Jan. 8, 1839. The widow d. Nov. 26, 1854. The sons by first wife were Elijah and Chauncey.

7 Horace<sup>5</sup> Clark, b. Sept. 21, 1793, Chatham, Conn.; m. (1) July 1, 1820, Lydia Potter, who d. —————; m. (2) Sept. 21, 1835, Phebe Bonfoey. He d. Nov. 13, 1879, Chatham, Conn.

*Children:*

Lyman Harlow, b. Aug. 26, 1821; m. Nov. 26, 1845, Julia Elizabeth Allen. Was. Rep. to Legislature. He d. Jan. 9, 1901. *Children:*

Ella Elizabeth, b. Mar. 30, 1849; m. Sept. 20, 1887, Henry Martin.

Arthur Myron<sup>6</sup>, b. July 4, 1858; m. Nov. 6, 1878, Carrie Belle Hazleton. Res. East Hampton, Conn. *Children:* Leon W., Clarence M., Harry A., Clara Bell.

William Francis, b. July 29, 1827; m. Sept. 19, 1851, Frances A. Watrous. He d. Aug. 26, 1898. *Children:*

Cora Maria, b. June 20, 1854; m. Oct. 18, 1875, Franklin P. Curtis. Res. East Hampton, Conn. *Children:* Howard Francis, Katherine Louise, Eva Maria, George William, Florence Naomi.

Truman Beaumont, b. Oct. 12, 1858; res. East Hampton, Conn.

Isadore Elizabeth, b. Dec. 10, 1864; unm.; res. East Hampton, Conn.

Jane Elizabeth, b. Dec. 25, 1829; m. Sept. 24, 1854, Alfred D. Willard. Res. East Hampton, Conn. *Children:*

Jennie Maria.

William Clark.

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Hannah<sup>4</sup> Clark, m. William Sumner.

Hezekiah<sup>5</sup> Sumner, m. Desire Higgins.

Tabitha<sup>6</sup> Sumner, m. Nathan Havens.

Mehitable<sup>7</sup> Havens, m. Hezekiah Whitney.

Julia<sup>8</sup> Whitney, m. Jesse Williams. Also ancestor of Winfield Whitney Williams, who m. Idella Maria Case.

Orville<sup>9</sup> Williams, m. Lurana Minerva Gillette.

Dr. Frederick<sup>10</sup> Henry Williams, b. 1846, Barkhamstead, Conn.; m. 1885, Janette Hart, dau. of Emery Curtis Hart and Eliza Lucina Persons. Dr. Williams was left an orphan at ten years of age and to care for himself. He early planned to become a physician, but as he was about to enter a medical college he was stricken with total deafness and since then has never heard the human voice.

For thirty years he has practiced medicine in Bristol, Conn., and devoted himself to writing poetry and prose.

*Child:*

Frances<sup>11</sup>, b. Aug. 3, 1886, Bristol, Conn.; grad. 1907, Vassar College. Res. Bristol, Conn.



## THE DOOLITTLE FAMILY.

### Part One

1 Abraham<sup>1</sup> Doolittle, who wrote his name "Abraham Dowlittell," born in 1619 or 1620, m. Joane Alling, of Kempston, Co. Bedford, Eng. He was with his bride in Boston as early as 1640, but removed to New Haven before 1642. He was seven times deputy from New Haven to the General Court at Hartford. On July 2, 1663, he m. (2) Abigail Moss, b. Apr. 10, 1642, dau. of John Moss of New Haven. Both Doolittle and Moss removed to Wallingford, as founders of that town in 1670. When the church was founded in 1675, Mr. Doolittle was one of the thirteen original members. He was sergeant of the "first traine band" in 1673; and in King Philip's war, 1675, his dwelling was fortified by a picket fort against an attack expected from the Indians led by King Philip in person. For a fuller record of Abraham Doolittle the reader is referred to the "Doolittle Family of America," by William Frederick Doolittle, M. D., of Cleveland, O., to whom we are indebted for most of the material of this chapter. The numbers are the same as in his book. The Wallingford well of Abraham Doolittle is still in use. He died in 1690. He had fourteen children.

8 Samuel<sup>2</sup> Doolittle, b. July 7, 1665, child by the second marriage; m. ————, Mary<sup>3</sup> Cornwall of Middletown (John<sup>2</sup>, William<sup>1</sup>), b. Nov. 20, 1666; d. Nov. 16, 1742. Eleven children. After the second child was born they rem. from Wallingford to Middletown.

45 Jonathan<sup>3</sup> Doolittle, b. Aug. 21, 1689, Wallingford, Conn.; m. Jan. 26, 1727, Rebecca<sup>3</sup> Ranney (Thomas<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>). She prob. m. Nov. 28, 1752, as his 3d wife, Lieut. Nathaniel Bacon, Jr., who d. Jan. 7, 1758, aged 81. (See the Ranney Family.)

153 Samuel<sup>4</sup> Doolittle, b. Feb. 24, 1729, Middletown, Conn.; m. July 4, 1751, Elizabeth Hubbard, b. Jan. 12, 1729-30, Glastonbury, Conn., dau. of Joseph Hubbard and Elizabeth Hollister. Of their eleven children, seven served in the Rev. War.

528 General George<sup>5</sup> Doolittle, b. June 14, 1759, Wallingford, Conn., where his parents resided for a few years and then ret. to Middletown. He m. 1783, Grace Wetmore, b. Dec. 3, 1766, Middletown, Conn., dau. of Capt. Amos Wetmore and Rachel Parsons. Capt. Amos Wetmore who had served in the Rev. Army, united with Capt. Hugh White in the purchase of the Saquehada Patent of land and rem. to it soon after White. For two years the nearest mill was forty miles away. In 1788 White and Wetmore built a grist mill and nearby a saw mill. When fire burned the saw mill then legal difficulties arose. White was a Presbyterian and Wetmore a Congregationalist. In 1797 White threatened to cut down the dam and deprive Wetmore of the use of the water unless he (Wetmore) would become a Presbyterian and join Rev. Bethuel Todd's congregation. (Annals of Oneida Co.)

George Doolittle, at the age of seventeen, enlisted, 1776, as a private in Capt. Churchill's Co., Col. Comfort Sage's Reg., Gen. Wadsworth's Brigade, raised in June to reinforce Gen. Washington at N. Y., and which retreated Sept. 15, from the city; time expired Dec. 25, 1776. On Jan. 1, 1777, he enlisted in the company of Capt. David Humphrey, under Col. Return Jonathan Meigs; enlisted again Apr. 7, 1777, for six weeks' service at Peekskill. On May 1, 1778, he enlisted "for the war" in the 6th Reg. Conn. Line (Regulars), Col. Meigs, and served till 1783.

George Doolittle had the honorable trade of a shoemaker and carried his "kit" through the war, mending his compatriots' boots and shoes. He saved his earnings and thus laid the foundations of his successful career. In 1786 he followed his father-in-law to Whitestown and at the first town meeting, Apr. 7, 1789, he was chosen commissioner of highways. For many years he was supervisor. On Apr. 1, 1793, a meeting was held to organize a religious society and he was named on the committee. In 1800 the first brigade of militia of all the new part of New York was organized and he was commissioned Brigadier General, though others in that settlement had been commissioned officers in the Rev. Army. He was a mem. of the N. Y. Legislature, and served in the War of 1812. He was a ruling elder in the Presby. ch. He was stricken in the night with apoplexy and died Feb. 21, 1825. The widow d. Aug. 27, 1836. There were twelve children of which

*Children:*

1164 Charles Ranney<sup>6</sup>, b. Aug. 14, 1799.

1165 Susan Parsons<sup>6</sup>, b. Sept. 22, 1801; m. William R. Tibbetts.

1164 Charles Ranney<sup>6</sup> Doolittle, b. Aug. 14, 1799, Whitestone,

N. Y.; m. June 29, 1829, Abby Pickard Obear, b. Mar. 26, 1811, Beverly, Mass., dau. of Oliver and Abby Obear. He was a successful merchant in Utica, N. Y., where he d. Oct. 9, 1841. She m. (2) Jan. 23, 1845, John Camp, b. 1786, Glastonbury, Conn., a merchant in Utica, d. 1867. She d. July 27, 1890.

*Children:*

- 2663 Abby Obear<sup>7</sup>, b. Nov. 15, 1830; m. Robert S. Williams.  
 2664 Caroline Obear<sup>7</sup>, b. July 23, 1832; d. Sept. 26, 1833.  
 2665 Caroline Stevens<sup>7</sup>, b. June 1, 1834; m. James V. Pomeroy.  
 2666 Lucy Helen<sup>7</sup>, b. Oct. 26, 1836; m. Edward Curran.  
 2667 Mary J.<sup>7</sup>, b. June 25, 1839; m. Dr. Henry M. Hurd, of Johns Hopkins Uni., Baltimore, Md.

1165 Susan Parsons<sup>6</sup> Doolittle b. Sept. 12, 1801; m. Dec. 30, 1823, William R. Tibbetts, b. Sept. 25, 1801, Oriskany, N. Y.; farmer and tanner; rem. to Galesburg, Ill., where he d. Jan. 27, 1886. She d. Feb. 10, 1844, Whitesboro, N. Y. Seven children.

*Children:*

- 2670 John Dower Tibbetts, b. Apr. 17, 1830.  
 2671 Charlotte Irene, b. Nov. 19, 1831; m. H. W. Goldsmith.

2663 Abby Obear<sup>7</sup> Doolittle, b. Nov. 15, 1830, Utica, N. Y.; m. Oct. 18, 1854, Robert Stanton Williams, b. Sept. 10, 1810, Utica, N. Y., who was of the seventh generation from Robert Williams who came in 1637, to Roxbury, Mass., from Norwich, Eng., and who was grandson of Thomas Williams a "Minute Man" of Roxbury in 1775, engaged at Bunker Hill in the company of Capt. Moses Whiting, and had participated in the Boston Tea Party.

Mr. Williams was a successful banker in Utica, being connected for forty years with the Oneida National Bank, of which he became president. He was also largely interested in manufacturing, being at the time of his death president of the Utica Steam and Mohawk Valley Cotton Company, and mem. of Colonial Wars and Sons of the Revolution. He d. Aug. 9, 1899. Widow res. in Utica, N. Y.

*Children:*

- George Huntington, b. Jan. 28, 1856; d. July 12, 1894.  
 Cornelia D'Audry, b. July 15, 1858; unm.  
 John Camp, b. Sept. 6, 1859; m. June 23, 1891, Buffalo, N. Y., Caroline Walbridge Wheeler, b. Apr. 22, 1871, Toledo, O., dau. of Alfred Samuel Wheeler and Mary Daniels. Mfr., Rep., Presb., Alpha Delta Phi, 1882,

Amherst Coll., Soc. of Colonial Wars, Univ. Club. N. Y., Grolier Club, N. Y. Wife is Epis.; res. Morristown, town, N. Y. *Children:*

Carolyn Wheeler, b. May 29, 1892.

John Camp, b. Oct. 30, 1893; d. Mar. 5, 1894.

Abby Dorothy, b. Sept. 1, 1895; d. May 5, 1898.

Lois Katherine, b. Apr. 10, 1901.

Emma Prentiss, b. 1860; d. 1862.

Samuel Wells, b. 1860; d. 1860.

2665 Caroline Stephens Doolittle, b. June 1, 1834; m. Nov., 1869, James Voorhees Pomeroy, b. 1828, son of Dr. Theodore Pomeroy and Cornelia Voorhees. Mining gold and mfg. He d. Nov. 11, 1891, Graham, N. C. Widow res. Graham, N. C.

*Children:*

Charles Doolittle, b. 1872; d. infant.

James Voorhees, b. Nov. 10, 1874; m. Oct. 29, 1902, Edythe M. Gilchrist, Ardmore, Pa.; res. Graham, N. C.

Grace Doolittle, b. Dec. 3, 1876; m. Nov. 19, 1902, J. Harvey White. Res. Graham, N. C.

Theodore O., b. Oct. 4, 1881; m. Aug., 1906, Sadie B. Hines, Milton, N. C. Res. Creedmor, N. C.

2666 Lucy Helen Doolittle, b. Oct. 26, 1836; m. Oct. 20, 1864, Utica, N. Y., Edward Curran, b. Feb. 25, 1833; d. June 4, 1894, Utica, N. Y., son of Edward Curran. Hide and leather merchant, Rep., Presb. ch., V. P. First Nat. Bank of Utica., Pres. Homestead Aid Assn., Charity Comr. The widow is Treas. for Home for the Homeless, interested in McAll and other miss. work, mem. Westminster Presb. ch.; res. Utica, N. Y.

*Children:*

Richard Langford, b. Sept. 26, 1865; unm. Res. New York City.

Sherwood Spencer, b. Sept. 12, 1867; unm. Res. Utica, N. Y.

2670 John Dower<sup>7</sup> Tibbetts, b. Apr. 17, 1830, Whitestown, N. Y.; m. Nov. 10, 1857, Vernon Centre, N. Y., Helen Lawson, b. July 22, 1835, New Hartford, N. Y., dau. of William Lawson and Emma Glynnnes. He d. Mar. 30, 1907. Widow res. Galesburg, Ill.

*Children:*

William Lawson<sup>8</sup>, b. Sept. 2, 1858.

Harvey Ulysses, b. Feb. 28, 1862.

Emma Susan, b. June 5, 1863.

George Doolittle, b. Apr. 2, 1870; d. Aug. 18, 1872.



CHARLES RANNEY DOOLITTLE  
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*E. J. Doolittle*



REV EDGAR JARED DOOLITTLE  
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2671 Charlotte Irene<sup>7</sup> Tibbetts, b. Nov. 19, 1831; m. Apr. 8, 1858, H. W. Goldsmith, b. —————; d. Jan. 1, 1881. She d. Sept. 24, 1891, Galesburg, Ill.

*Children:*

Charles Ulysses<sup>8</sup>, b. Dec. 12, 1860; m. Ida W. Olin. *Children:*

Gertrude<sup>9</sup>, b. July 20, 1884.

George W., b. Oct. 25, 1886.

Everett, b. Feb. 18, 1890.

Helen Grace, b. Oct. 15, 1864; teacher, Galesburg, Ill.

Arthur Duffield, b. Jan. 17, 1872; merchant, Galesburg, Ill.

## Part Two

1273 Rev. Edgar Jared<sup>5</sup> Doolittle (Joseph<sup>4</sup>, Joseph<sup>3</sup>, Capt. Joseph<sup>2</sup>, Abraham<sup>1</sup>), b. Oct. 19, 1810, New Haven, Conn., after his father's death, rem. with mother and sister to Wallingford, Conn. Grad. 1836, Yale, taught the academy of Upper Houses, now Cromwell, for two years, and married June 8, 1842, Jane Elizabeth Sage, b. Dec. 4, 1820, dau. of Deacon Isaac Sage (Capt. William) and Harriet<sup>6</sup> Sage, dau. of Lemuel<sup>5</sup> Sage (Lewis Samuel<sup>4</sup>, John<sup>3</sup>, John<sup>2</sup>, David<sup>1</sup>), whose mother was Deborah<sup>4</sup> Ranney. In 1838 he entered Yale Theo. Sem.; in Aug., 1839, was licensed by the So. Hartford Association. Grad. 1841, ord. and settled May 18, 1842, at Hebron, Conn. In 1852 rem. to Chester, Conn., and remained to 1869. In failing health he rem. to the old homestead in Wallingford, where he d. Feb. 1, 1883. On his tombstone is: "Faithful unto Death." "He is remembered by those who knew him as a man of rare excellence, sound in intellect, courageous in convictions and warm in his friendship." The widow d. Sept. 27, 1903.

*Children:*

2963 Edgar Sage, b. July 11, 1843; d. May 10, 1844.

2964 Edgar Jared, b. Jan. 29, 1845.

2965 Isaac Sage, b. Jan. 26, 1847; drowned at Guilford, July 7, 1862.

2966 Henry Nathaniel, b. Jan. 11, 1849.

2967 Annis Merrill, b. Mar. 12, 1851; d. Nov. 22, 1872, while at Yale Scientific School.

2968 Harriet Anna, b. Apr. 1, 1856; d. May 3, 1857.

2969 Jane Elizabeth, b. Dec. 1, 1859; grad. 1882, Mt. Holyoke Sem.; res. Wallingford, Conn.

2970 Orrin Sage, b. Dec. 29, 1863.

2964 Edgar Jared<sup>6</sup> Doolittle, b. Jan. 29, 1845, Hebron, Conn.; m. Nov. 13, 1867, Meriden, Conn., Martha Warner Couch, b. Aug. 9, 1845, Meriden; d. Aug. 21, 1902. Mr. Doolittle is a mfr., state Senator, 1886-87, five years Mayor of Meriden, mem. Louisiana Purchase Comn. of Conn., St. Elmo Com. K. T., Cong.; res. Meriden, Conn.

*Child:*

Dorothy, b. Mar. 8, 1889.

2966 Henry Nathaniel<sup>6</sup> Doolittle, b. Jan. 11, 1849, Hebron, Conn.; m. May 23, 1876, Newark, N. J., Josephine Lapham, b. Feb. 17, 1853, Egypt, N. Y., dau. of Nathan P. Lapham and Phebe Taylor. Mfr.; res. Newark, N. J.

*Children:*

Ethel Guerin, b. Sept. 21, 1877.

Henry Linsley, b. June 9, 1879.

2970 Orrin Sage<sup>6</sup> Doolittle, b. Dec. 29, 1863, Colchester, Conn.; m. Nov. 10, 1896, Reading, Pa., Grace Ferguson, b. Jan. 31, 1872, Robeson, Pa., dau. of Nathaniel Ferguson and Amanda Davenport, who was dau. of Rufus Davenport of Coventry, Conn. Chemist and mem. of many Chem. Soc. of U. S. and England; res. Reading, Pa.

*Children:*

Catherine, b. Aug. 25, 1897.

Jane Elizabeth, b. Apr. 14, 1899.

Edgar Jared, b. Dec. 4, 1903.



## THE EDWARDS FAMILY

Howell's History of Southampton, Long Island, states that William<sup>1</sup> Edwards came from Lynn with his wife Ann in 1653, and died about 1685.

John<sup>2</sup> Edwards, b. ———; d. 1693; m. Mary Stansbrough, dau. of Josiah Stansbrough, and had eight children.

Josiah<sup>3</sup> Edwards, b. abt. 1670; d. Feb. 14, 1713, E. Hamp., L. I. m. Apr., 1699, Mary Churchill, b. Apr. 6, 1675, Wethersfield, Conn. Josiah Edward's father and grandfather lived in what became Easthampton, Long Island. The four volumes of land records refer to land gifts from grandfather to Josiah, a grandson, and to other dealings between Josiah and his brothers and father. Book G, page 57½, refers to grants of land to heirs of Josiah Edwards. It is evident that the widow and children returned to her Wethersfield home.

### *Children:*

Josiah, b. Mar. 17, 1700.

Churchill, b. Apr. 17, 1703.

Jonathan, b. Jan. 13, 1704.

William, b. 1706.

David, b. Apr. 6, 1707.

Mercy, b. Sept. 24, 1710.

Nathaniel, b. Apr. 12, 1713.

Mary, twin to Nathaniel.

[CHURCHILL LINEAGE—The lands of Josiah<sup>1</sup> Churchill in Wethersfield were recorded to him "The 2d month & 28th daie 1641." His will was dated Nov. 17, 1683, and he d. before Jan., 1681, as the inventory was then presented in probate court. He m. Elizabeth Foote, dau. of Nathaniel Foote and Elizabeth<sup>2</sup> Deming, who d. Sept. 8, 1700. See Churchill and Foote Genealogies.

Joseph<sup>2</sup> Churchill, b. Dec. 7, 1649; d. Apr. 1, 1699; m. Mary ———, who d. abt. 1738.

### *Children:*

Mary<sup>3</sup>, b. Apr. 6, 1675; m. Josiah Edwards.

Nathaniel, b. July, 1677; m. Mary Hurlbut.

Elizabeth, b. 1679; m. Richard Butler.

Dinah, b. 1680; m. Jacob Deming.]

[GOODRICH LINEAGE—John<sup>1</sup> Goodrich, b. 1623, England; d. 1680; was in Hartford in 1643, and was given land, 1644, in Wethersfield; m. (1) 1645, Elizabeth Edwards, dau. of Thomas, who prob. was uncle of Josiah; m. (2) Mary Foote, dau. of Nathaniel Foote and Elizabeth Deming, and widow of John Stoddard; dau. Mary m. Joseph<sup>2</sup> Butler (Dea. Richard and Elizabeth Churchill.

William<sup>1</sup> Goodrich was brother of John.

William<sup>2</sup> Goodrich (William<sup>1</sup>), b. Feb. 8, 1661; d. 1737; m. for second wife, Mary Ann, widow of Dr. Nicholas Ayrault, b. 1661; d. Aug. 27, 1741.

Ephraim<sup>2</sup> Goodrich (William<sup>1</sup>), b. June 6, 1663; d. Feb. 27, 1739; res. in Rocky Hill.

William<sup>3</sup> Goodrich (Ephraim<sup>2</sup>, William<sup>1</sup>), b. Feb. 21, 1697; m. Rachel<sup>3</sup> Savage (John<sup>2</sup>, John<sup>1</sup>).

Sarah<sup>3</sup> Goodrich (Ephraim<sup>2</sup>, William<sup>1</sup>), b. Aug. 3, 1689; d. May 6, 1785; m. Dec. 15, 1725, Richard Butler, who d. Oct. 27, 1757.

In 1736 Richard Butler deeded to David Edwards land in Wethersfield. This deed was witnessed by Capt. David Goodrich and Charles Goodrich. The autograph of Charles Goodrich to this deed, teacher in the Upper Houses, is given elsewhere. It is very evident that he was a brother to William, Sarah, David, though his name is not given in the Goodrich Genealogy.]

David Goodrich<sup>3</sup> (Ephraim<sup>2</sup>, William<sup>1</sup>), b. Oct. 3, 1699; d. Jan. 7, 1779, Glastonbury side of Wethersfield; m. Feb. 13, 1729, Sarah Edwards, dau. of John, d. May 11, 1799.

Churchill<sup>4</sup> Edwards (Josiah<sup>3</sup>), b. Apr. 17, 1703; d. Feb. 28, 1794; m. 1738, Abigail ———, who d. Apr. 7, 1809. He purchased in Upper Houses, 1738, the dwelling house, barn, and lot of four acres from Joseph Whitmore (Wetmore), what had been the latter's homestead, being one of the four acres distributed, 1711-12, to various persons. This homestead is now part of the homestead of Edward T. Johnson.

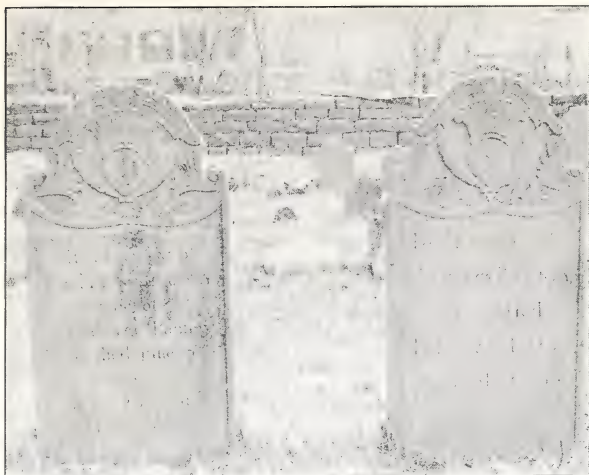
*Children:*

Churchill<sup>5</sup>, bapt. Mar. 18, 1739.

Abigail, bapt. June 15, 1740; m. Mar. 8, 1763, Capt. Jared Shepard (see the Shepard Family).

Nathan, bapt. Nov. 15, 1742; d. "at the Havanas," 1762, prisoner of war.

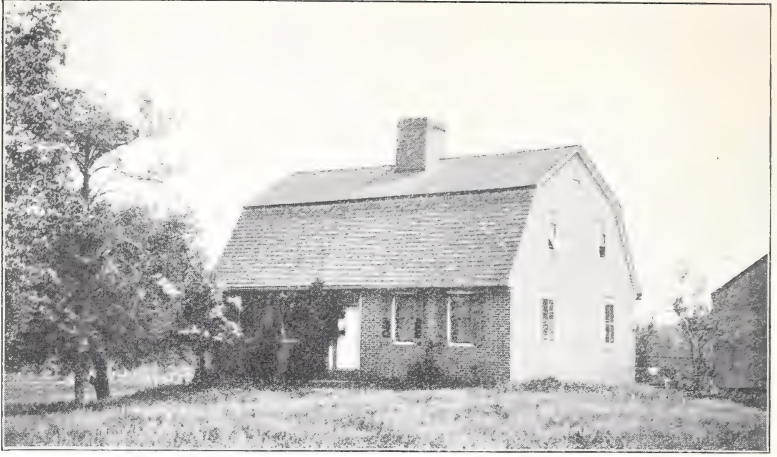
Daniel<sup>5</sup>, bapt. Feb. 11, 1744.



TOMBSTONES OF GEORGE<sup>4</sup> RANNEY AND WIFE  
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THE SAMUEL SPENCER FAMILY TOMBSTONES  
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THE NATHAN EDWARDS HOUSE  
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THE DAVID EDWARDS HOUSE  
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David<sup>4</sup> Edwards (Josiah<sup>3</sup>), b. Apr. 6, 1707; d. Jan. 7, 1795; m. Mary<sup>3</sup> Butler (Joseph<sup>2</sup>, Richard<sup>1</sup>), b. 1705; d. July 10, 1786. He rem. to Upper Houses, and purchased the four-acre homestead next south of his brother Churchill's, first "granted" Mar. 18, 1711-12, to David Hurlbut, "being one of the four-acre lots which the town gave liberty to the north society to dispose off and laid out by order of the committee."

*Children:*

Anna, b. 1735; m. Jan. 16, 1757, Jehiel Williams (see the Williams Family).

Mary, b. ———; m. Nov. 25, 1760, Ebenezer Backus.

Sarah, bapt. May 18, 1740; m. Jan. 27, 1763, Major Edward Eells (see the Eells Family).

Martha, bapt. Mar. 18, 1744; m. (1) Apr. 10, 1765, Zebulon Stocking; m. (2) Hezekiah Ranney (see the Stocking and Ranney Families).

David<sup>5</sup>, bapt. Dec. 24, 1749; d. Oct. 23, 1825; m. (1) Rosanna Hubbard, who d. Oct. 1, 1795; m. (2) Sept. 8, 1796, Mary Wells, who d. Jan. 3, 1860, aged 92 years. He served in the Revolutionary Army, and was on the detail to Quebec Expedition. *Children:*

David, m. July 6, 1841, Louisa Sage.

Joseph<sup>6</sup>, b. Oct. 1, 1805.

Churchill<sup>5</sup> Edwards (Churchill<sup>4</sup>), bapt. Mar. 18, 1739; d. May 23, 1820; m. Oct. 14, 1762, Lucy Eells, d. Nov. 9, 1787 (see the Eells Family). He served in the Revolutionary Army.

*Children:*

Nathan, bapt. Jan. 18, 1764; d. July 22, 1782, on prison ship.

Lucy, bapt. Aug. 26, 1766; m. Joseph Ranney, and adopted her brother's daughter, Lucy A., who m. Jared Scranton.

John, bapt. Aug. 13, 1775; m. Rebecca Ranney (see the Ranney Family).

Daniel<sup>5</sup> Edwards (Churchill<sup>4</sup>), bapt. Feb. 11, 1744; m. Apr. 16, 1771, Jemima Hubbard (Samuel, Samuel and Joanna), who d. Feb. 15, 1815, aged 61 years. He d. July 29, 1800. Of their

*Children:*

Daniel, bapt. Aug. 23, 1772; m. Nov. 16, 1795, Honor Bulkeley, b. May 5, 1774; d. Apr. 2, 1848, aged 74 years, dau. of Stephen Bulkeley, a Rev. soldier, and Martha

Marsh of Rocky Hill, Conn. Their dau. Martha, b. Sept. 2, 1796; m. July 12, 1817, Aaron Roberts Savage (Josiah, Josiah, etc.). Their dau. Margaret Randolph, b. Aug. 9, 1821; m. Oct. 18, 1842, William Wilshire Riley (see the Riley Family).

Zenas, bapt. Oct. 27, 1776; d. May 9, 1836; m. Dec. 7, 1800, Katy Bulkeley, b. Sept. 2, 1780; d. Sept. 12, 1865, dau. of Stephen Bulkeley and Martha Marsh. Their son Bulkeley, b. May 29, 1811, m. three times, and, like his father, kept the "Edwards" hotel; was a very prominent citizen. Their dau. Catherine, b. Mar. 6, 1813; d. Sept. 3, 1849; m. Joseph<sup>6</sup> Edwards.

Joseph<sup>6</sup> Edwards (David<sup>5</sup>, David<sup>4</sup>), b. Oct. 1, 1805; d. May 26, 1881; m. (1) May, 1834, Catherine<sup>7</sup> Edwards (Zenas<sup>6</sup>, Daniel<sup>5</sup>, Churchill<sup>4</sup>), b. Mar. 6, 1813; d. Sept. 3, 1849; m. (2) May 16, 1850, Harriet<sup>8</sup> White (Jacob<sup>7</sup>, John<sup>6</sup>, Jacob<sup>5</sup>, John<sup>4</sup>, Jacob<sup>3</sup>, Nathaniel<sup>2</sup>, John<sup>1</sup>), b. Oct. 3, 1825. He was a prosperous farmer and dealer in cattle, and left a large estate. Widow res. in Cromwell.

*Children by 1st marriage:*

Jane, b. Mar. 12, 1835; m. Oct. 9, 1856, William Crumbie. Res. Lincoln, Neb. *Children:*  
 Paul, m.; 5 children. Res. Meriden, Conn.  
 William, m.; 2 children. Res. Worcester, Mass.  
 Frances, unm. Res. Lincoln, Neb.  
 Robert Zenas, b. 1837; d. ———.

*Children by 2d marriage:*

Catherine Augusta, b. Feb. 11, 1851; d. Aug. 1, 1854.  
 Mary Louisa, b. Feb. 11, 1853; m. Nov. 26, 1872, Frank W. Bliss. Res. Middletown, Conn. *Children:*  
 Nellie Cutler, m. H. Howard Warner; 1 child. Res. Middletown, Conn.  
 Jennie Edwards, unm.  
 Charles Louis, m. Helen King. Res. Middletown, Conn.  
 Leroy Franklin, m. Marion Crossman. Res. Middletown, Conn.  
 Susan Sage, b. Mar. 10, 1855; m. John F. McKinstry. Res. Cromwell. *Children:*  
 Herbert L., m. Mary Levine. Res. Cromwell.  
 Edward, unm.  
 Irving, m. Frances Rogers. Res. Cromwell.  
 Joseph Wells, b. Jan. 3, 1857; d. 1896; m. Louisa Meuter,

who m. (2) John J. Ford. Res. Hartford, Conn. *Children:*

Frederick Joseph, m. Emily Spear. Res. Hartford, Conn.

Flora Louise, unm. Res. Hartford, Conn.

Linus White, b. Jan. 17, 1859; m. Iva Bidwell. Res. Philadelphia, Penn. *Child:*

Bertha May, unm.

Harriet Augusta, b. 1861; d. 1863.

Harriet Anna, b. Sept. 10, 1863; m. 1881, Horace Lester Taylor, who d. May 13, 1897. Widow res. Cromwell. *Children:*

Ethel May, b. June 1, 1884; m. Dec. 12, 1906, John P. Kimberly. Res. New Haven, Conn.

Lester Stanley, b. Mar. 21, 1887.

Florence Harriet, b. June 1, 1889.

## THE EELLS FAMILY.

The name of John Eels first appears in this country on the records of Dorchester, Mass., under date of "The 6th January, Mooneday, 1633."

1 John Eales was made a freeman at the General Court, May 14, 1634. He was therefore a church member. The majority of the Dorchester church had removed to Windsor. The records of the present First Church of Dorchester contain the following:

2 "Samuell<sup>2</sup> Eelles, his ffather beinge memb of the church of Winso<sup>r</sup> was by Communio of churches baptised 3 mo 3<sup>th</sup> anno 1640."

A town vote of "4<sup>th</sup> of January 1635" gives to John Eales "20 acres," and makes other grants. In 1641 he returned to England.

Samuel<sup>2</sup> Eells (John<sup>1</sup>), must have been born May 1, 1640, as this son recorded his father's age at death on April 21, 1709, Hingham, as being sixty-eight years, eleven months and twenty days old. The first knowledge of the return of Samuel Eells to this country is contained in the town records of Milford, Conn., as follows:

"Mr. Samuel Eells of Milford and Ana Lenthall weare maryed the fift day agust Sixty three by Captain Marshal Comisioner at Lin" (Lynn). In 1677 he was one of a committee to transcribe the "Old books." He held many local offices, was frequently a member of the General Court, and prominent in military affairs. He appears to have been a weaver. The "History of King Philip's War," by Benjamin Church, second edition, Newport, R. I., 1772, shows that the Indians captured by him in Dartmouth were "carried away to Plymouth, there sold, and transported out of the country, being about eight-score persons." He was admitted to the Milford, Conn., church, May 15, 1670, and his wife on July 10th of that year. She died in Feb., 1687. On August 22, 1689, he married Sarah North, in Hingham, Mass., dau. of John and Hannah (——) Bateman and widow of John North. At this time he removed to Hingham. In 1700 he was "Major." In 1705 he was deputy to the General Court. The town records say:

"Maj. Samuell Eells one of Her maiesties Justices of the peace for the County of Suffolk: dyed the 21<sup>t</sup>: day of April: 1709:" There is no gravestone to enable one to locate his grave. His will



is dated Aug. 1, 1705. The widow removed to Scituate to reside with her son, Rev. Nathaniel, where she d. Feb. 9, 1717.

The sons to survive infancy were:

*Children:*

- 3 Samuel<sup>3</sup>, b. Sept. 2, 1666.  
John, bapt. June 5, 1670.
- 4 Nathaniel, b. Nov. 26, 1677.

3 Samuel<sup>3</sup> Eells (Samuel<sup>2</sup>, John<sup>1</sup>), b. Sept. 2, 1666, bapt. June 5, 1670, Milford, Conn., is next heard of Jan. 13, 1695-6, when he is given land. In 1696 he is made a constable; 1699 is on School Committee; 1701-1708 is a townsman; 1711 Major Eells is at liberty to build a pew for himself and family; 1739 is appointed Colonel of the New Haven County regiment, which position he held till Oct., 1752. He was a Deputy to the General Court for twelve sessions and a Judge of the "Superiour Court of Judicature," a Judge of the New Haven County Court, a Judge of probate, Naval Officer for the Port of Milford. He was married three times. His will is dated Mar. 20, 1753, but there is no record of his death and his grave is unknown. He gave his "House & Homelot where I dwell" to his son Nathaniel, who in 1754, sold it to Stephen Stow of Upper Houses. (See Stow Family.)

*His sons were:*

- Samuel, bapt. Nov. 6, 1698; m. Deborah Burwell and res. in Milford.
- John, bapt. Apr. 11, 1703; m. (1) Jan. 11, 1727-28, Anne Beard; m. (2) Abigail Comstock, and was pastor of the Cong. ch., New Canaan, Conn.
- 5 Nathaniel, bapt. July 22, 1705.

4 Rev. Nathaniel<sup>3</sup> Eells (Samuel<sup>2</sup>, John<sup>1</sup>), b. Nov. 26, 1677, Milford, Conn., bapt. Dec. 30, 1677, was eleven years of age when his father removed to Hingham. He graduated, 1699, at Harvard. On April 23, 1704, "the Society on the north River in Scituate voted unanimously concurring with the vote of the Church aforesaid," and he was ordained pastor on June 14, 1704. The sermons he preached June 14, 1733, at the ordination of his son Nathaniel in Stonington, Conn., and Sept. 6, 1738 at the ordination of his son Edward, as pastor in Upper Houses are to be found in the library of the Connecticut Historical Society. He prepared his own sons and others for the ministry. The History of Scituate by Samuel Deane, 1831, says of him:

"There are a few aged people now living who remember him. They describe his person to have been of a stature rather above mediocrity, of broad chest and muscular proportions, remarkably erect, somewhat corpulent in his later years, of dark complexion, with large black eyes and brows, and of general manners rather dignified and commanding than sprightly and pleasing. He had an influence and authority amongst his people that none of his successors have exercised, and which may have been in some measure a peculiarity of earlier times than these."

The record of his marriage reads: "Mr. Nathaniel Eells of Sittuate was married to Mr<sup>s</sup> Hannah North of Hingham on the 12<sup>th</sup> day of October 1704 by mai<sup>r</sup> Samuel Eels Justis of the peace."

The records of the South Scituate Society say: "The Rev<sup>d</sup> Mr. Nath<sup>l</sup>. Eells Departed this life August y<sup>e</sup> 25<sup>th</sup> 1750 in the 47<sup>th</sup> Year of his Ministry and 73<sup>d</sup> Year of his Age."

The Society defrayed the funeral expenses and ordered grave-stones. He had made his will in 1732. On Aug. 17, 1752, Nathaniel Eells, "Clerk," of Stonington, Conn., and Edward Eells, "Clerk," of Middletown, Conn., united with other children in selling their interest in the homestead. Mrs. Eells's will, dated Sept. 1, 1752, mentions Abiah Eells, daughter of her son John, deceased.

*Of their children:*

- 6 John, b. Feb. 15, 1708-9; m. June 4, 1730, Abiah Waterman.  
7 Rev. Edward, b. Jan. 3, 1712-13.

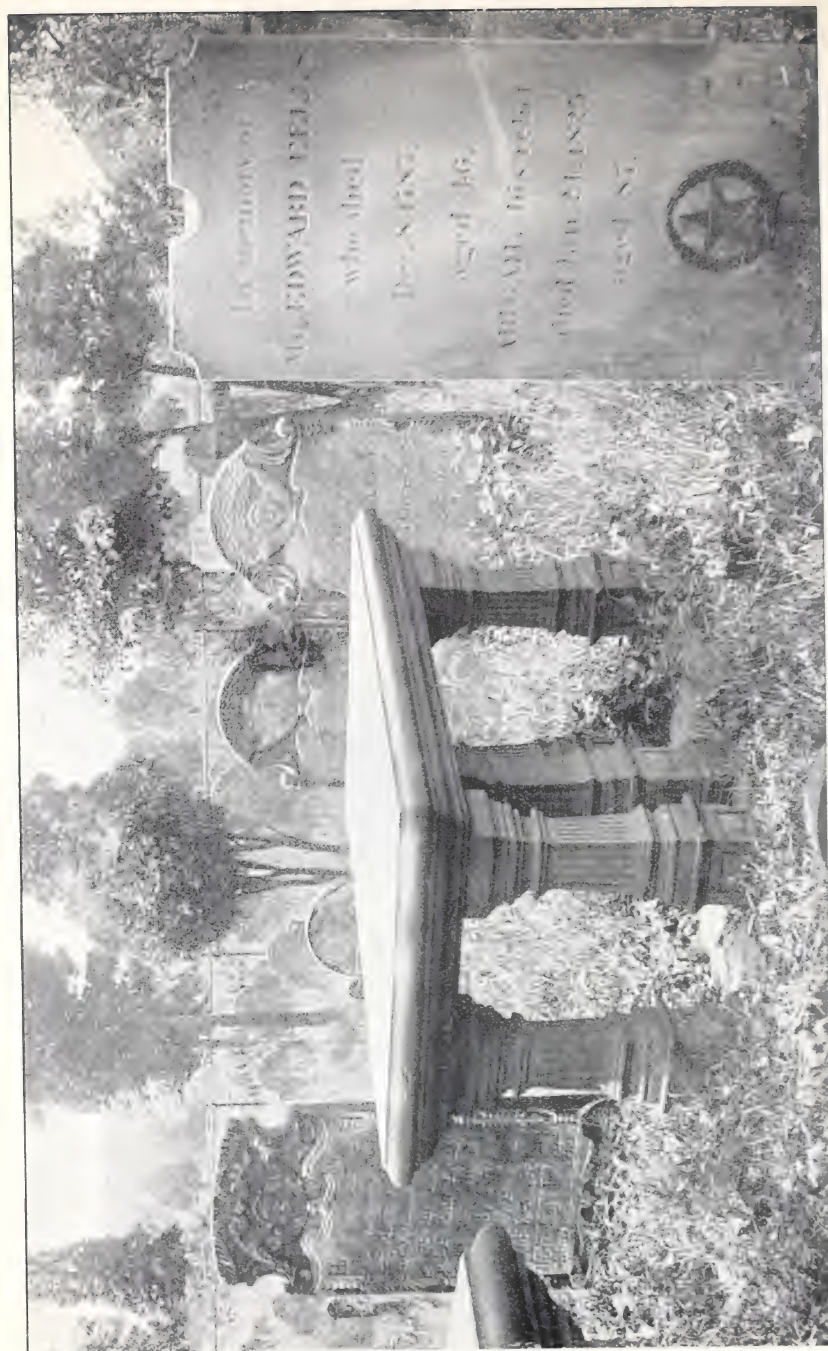
5 Nathaniel<sup>4</sup> Eells (Samuel<sup>3</sup>, Samuel<sup>2</sup>, John<sup>1</sup>), bapt. July 22, 1705, Milford, Conn.; m. Oct. 29, 1739, Middletown Upper Houses, Martha Stow, his father "Hon. Sam<sup>l</sup> Eells Ass<sup>t</sup>," performing the ceremony. She d. May 12, 1740. He m. (2) Feb. 17, 1742-3, Alices White, b. Feb. 25, 1713-14, Middletown Upper Houses, dau. of Daniel White and Alice Cook of Guilford. On Apr. 10, 1742, he purchased of John Shepard for £1,000 four pieces of land in the Upper Houses. The homestead of eight acres extended on Main Street from the south corner of the Methodist church lot to the S. E. cor. of land now the Soldier's Home. In 1743 he sold the southeast corner of 60 rods, 6x10, to Daniel Ranney, who immediately sold it to Jeremiah Ranney, who built thereon and who, in 1753, sold it to Francis Whitmore, whose daughter, Mary, later sold it to Nathaniel<sup>5</sup> Eells, son of Nathaniel<sup>4</sup>. The great elm tree in front of the Methodist church is very aged. This Ranney house stood till 1857. Mr. Eells had been led to settle in Upper Houses by reason of the fact that his cousin, Rev. Edward, was pastor. He held many local offices and d. Sept. 9, 1776.



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TOMBSTONES OF NATHANIEL AND ALICE (WHITE) EELLS  
Ancestors of J. Pierpont Morgan  
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Tablestone of Rev. Edward Ellis.  
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Headstone of Major Edward Ellis.  
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A VIEW OF THE CEMETERY OF CROMWELL.

The gravestones of himself and second wife, of Portland brownstone, are seen here. His aged mother is buried next to him.

*Of their Children:*

- 8 Martha<sup>5</sup>, b. Dec. 12, 1743; m. Samuel Spencer.  
 9 Nathaniel, b. Sept. 8, 1748.  
 Theodosia, b. June 10, 1754; rem. 1795, with her brother, Daniel, to New Hartford, N. Y., where she d. Dec. 7, 1850, having lived under the same roof with this brother from his birth to her death.  
 10 Daniel, b. Dec. 5, 1757.
- 6 John<sup>4</sup> Eells, b. Feb. 15, 1709; m. Jan. 4, 1730, Abiah Waterman. In 1750 he was drowned in No. Carolina. She m. (2) Abijah Miller of Upper Houses and d. 1782, aged sixty-seven.

*Children:*

Waterman, b. abt. Aug. 13, 1732; m. Sarah ———. He rem. from Upper Houses to Lanesboro, Mass., where he and son John served in Rev. War. Children bapt. in Upper Houses:

John, bapt. Mar. 5, 1738.

Sarah, bapt. May 8, 1743.

Anna Lenthal, bapt. May 19, 1745; m. Oct. 14, 1762, William<sup>4</sup> Savage (William<sup>3</sup>, John<sup>2</sup>, John<sup>1</sup>). She d. May 10, 1820, Upper Houses. He d. Apr. 29, 1824. Tombstones in old Cromwell Cemetery.

Abigail, b. abt. Nov. 4, 1750; m. (1) Aug. 20, 1772, Jonathan Stow; m. (2) Feb. 5, 1785, William White; m. (3) May 21, 1793, Capt. William Sage. (See Stow, White, Sage chapters.)

Lucy Anna, b. ———; m. Oct. 14, 1762, Churchill Edwards of Upper Houses. (See Edwards Family.)

7 Rev. Edward<sup>4</sup> Eells, by Jan. 3, 1713, Scituate, Mass.; m. (1) July 24, 1740, Mrs. Martha Pitkin of Hartford, who d. July 19, 1771; m. (2) May 19, 1772, Patience (Bulkeley) Lord, widow of Ichabod Lord of Marlboro, Conn., who d. ———. He d. Oct. 12, 1776. Grad. 1733, Harvard; studied theology with his father; ordained and installed pastor at Upper Houses, Sept. 6, 1738, the sermon preached by his father being published. A copy is in the Conn. State Hist. Soc. Library. Fellow of Yale Corporation, 1761; chaplain, one season, in French-Indian War; clerk of

the Council in the noted Wallingford Church Council of "Old Lights" vs. "New Lights," and published his account of it. He was given the land next west of the old cemetery from the road on the north to the road on the south. He built thereon, on the northeast corner, opposite the cemetery. He built on the south-east part for his son, Maj. Edward Eells. He baptized several whom he termed "my negro servants."

*Children:*

- 11 Edward, b. Apr. 11, 1741.  
 12 James, b. Mar. 11, 1743.  
 Samuel, b. Jan. 13, 1745; m. Nov. 7, 1770, Hannah Butler; grad. 1765, Yale. Settled as pastor in Branford, Conn.; one Sunday raised a company of soldiers and served as their captain in the Rev. army. M. (2) ——— Goodrich.  
 Nathaniel, b. 1747; d. 1748.  
 Pitkin, b. May 16, 1750; d. 1817.  
 Jane, b. 1752; d. 1752.  
 John, b. July 20, 1753; m. 1773, Elizabeth Lord; was a drummer in company of his brother, Major Edward.  
 Ozias, b. Sept. 2, 1755; grad. Yale, pastor of Barkhamstead, Conn.  
 Hannah, b. Apr. 5, 1757.

8 Martha<sup>5</sup> Eells, b. Dec. 12, 1743, Upper Houses; m. May 23, 1771, Samuel Spencer, b. Oct. 20, 1744, East Middletown, Conn., son of John<sup>4</sup> Spencer and Elizabeth Taylor. In 1771 he purchased half of the "John Elliott" house and two and one-half acres. In 1777 he purchased the other half of the house, and d. Oct. 12, 1818. His father had died when he was quite young. His mother had made her home with him in the Upper Houses and is buried there. His widow d. Feb. 19, 1831. Their tombstones are represented herewith.

*Children:*

- Martha, bapt. Feb. 16, 1772; m. Nov. 10, 1791, Jehied Williams, Jr.  
 Hannah, bapt. July 31, 1774; m. Nov. 27, 1794, Zebulon Stow, Jr.  
 Lucy, bapt. Jan. 5, 1777; d. Jan. 28, 1778.  
 Betsey, bapt. Sept. 12, 1779; m. Nov. 2, 1800, Elisha Kirby.  
 (See the Kirby Family.)  
 Lucy, bapt. Mar. 31, 1782; m. Nov. 12, 1801, Giles Kirby.  
 (See the Kirby Family.)

Mary, bapt. Sept. 19, 1784; m. July 5, 1807, Dr. Titus Morgan, whose cousin married her sister Sally. They occupied the Spencer homestead. He practiced medicine here till his death. He was an author and a poet. The widow rem. to Hartford as a member of the family of her sister Sally Morgan. Was very active in church work. She d. on Whitsun Day, 1845, and is buried in Cromwell. A mural tablet in her memory has been erected in Christ ch., Hartford. Their only child, Titus Junius, d. 1809, aged 11 months.

13 Sally, bapt. May 6, 1784; m. Sept. 20, 1807, Joseph Morgan, Jr.

9 Nathaniel<sup>5</sup> Eells, b. Sept. 8, 1748, Upper Houses; m. Feb. 22, 1776, Huldah<sup>6</sup> White, b. Feb. 10, 1750-51, dau. of Moses<sup>5</sup> White and Huldah Knowles, and sister to Ruth (White) Ranney and Rev. Calvin White. He inherited the south half of the homestead, including the house and was charged to care for his mother and also for Daniel, to whom the north half of the homestead was given. He was by trade a wheelwright and miller. In 1797 he removed to New York State. There were seven children. (See the Eells Family by James Junius Goodwin.)

10 Daniel<sup>5</sup> Eells, b. Dec. 5, 1757, Upper Houses; m. Oct. 3, 1782, Martha Hamlin, b. Mar. 29, 1761, dau. of Nathaniel Hamlin and Lucretia<sup>4</sup> Ranney (Daniel<sup>3</sup>, Joseph<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>). Nathaniel Hamlin was son of Richard Hamlin and Martha Smith, dau. of Rev. Joseph Smith of Upper Houses. Daniel Eells inherited the north half of his father's homestead and built the house which he sold in 1795 to John Williams. It is the house next south of the Soldiers' Home, and is seen herein. His removal to New York was in December, and was accomplished with ox sleds carrying his wife, sister Theodosia, six children and the family supplies. The trip extended over three weeks through an almost unbroken forest, blazed trees being the guiding stars. He enlisted in 1775 and worked all night on the entrenchments on Breed's Hill. In the morning he was ordered on a scouting expedition and missed being in the battle of Bunker Hill. He was at the battle of Long Island, Aug. 27, 1776, and with Washington in the retreat from New York. He served also on a privateer, was captured and taken a prisoner to Havana. He purchased a farm in New Hartford, N. Y., and lived on the same till his death on July 19, 1851. His wife had d. May 26, 1834. His portrait was taken when he was very aged.

*Children:*

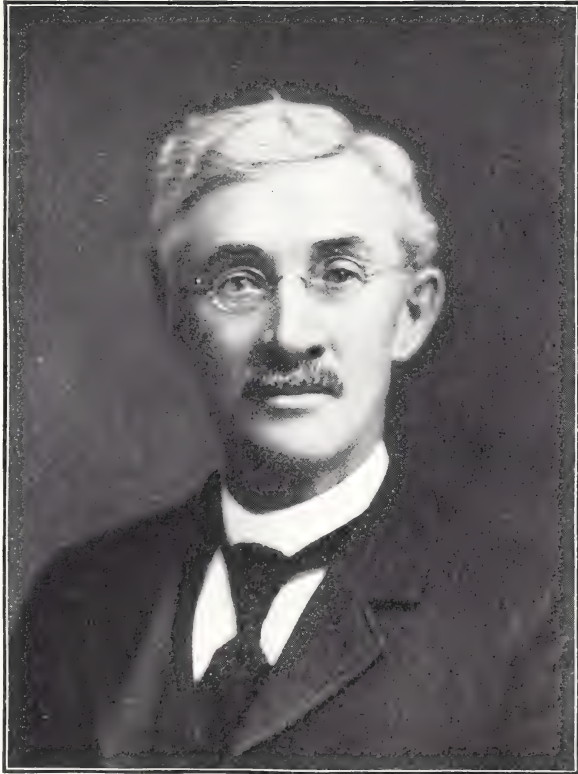
- William, b. July 26, 1783, Upper Houses; m. Nov. 8, 1810, Nancy Savage, b. Oct. 25, 1787; mer. and mfr.; capt. in War of 1812; d. Jan. 17, 1866, Clinton, N. Y.; she d. Nov. 3, 1883. *Child:*  
 Martha, b. Aug. 26, 1811; m. William Hobby; she d. Apr. 26, 1870. Four children.
- 14 Robert, b. July 26, 1785.
- 15 Patty, b. Oct. 26, 1787.  
 Fanny, b. June 28, 1790, Upper Houses; m. 1817, New Hartford, N. Y., Samuel Johnson, b. 1791, Middletown, Conn., builder and contractor. He d. 1877; she d. Oct. 8, 1875, Cleveland, O. *Child:*  
 Jane E., b. Nov. 28, 1819; m. 1840, Herman Hurlbut; res. Euclid Ave., Cleveland, O.  
 Nancy, b. Oct. 8, 1792, Upper Houses; m. 1840, Tillinghast Simmons. She d. May 11, 1872. No children.  
 Lucretia, b. Nov. 30, 1794, Upper Houses; preceptress of Young Ladies' Sem.; d. unm. Aug. 26, 1865.  
 Daniel, b. Sept. 12, 1799, New Hartford, N. Y.; m. 1800, Emily Goodrich; farmer. He d. Nov. 12, 1873; she d. Mar. 9, 1874.  
 Mary, b. Oct. 5, 1801, New Hartford, N. Y.; m. Oct. 25, 1831 Edwin Miller, b. 1803, Conn. Both d. Elyria, O.; she Jan. 1, 1899; he, Mar. 20, 1881. Three children.

11 Major Edward<sup>5</sup> Eells, b. Aug. 11, 1741, Upper Houses; m. (1) Jan. 27, 1763, Sarah Edwards, bapt. May 18, 1740, dau. of David Edwards and Mary Churchill, who had just rem. from Wethersfield to the Upper Houses. She d. July 4, 1769; m. (2) Apr. 26, 1770, Abigail Brandagee, widow of Capt. Jacob<sup>4</sup> (John<sup>3</sup>, John<sup>2</sup>, John<sup>1</sup>) and dau. of Abigail Dunham, who d. Jan. 25, 1825. Maj. Edward Eells was in the militia service, organized 1774, when trouble was anticipated with the mother country. The day after the news of Lexington reached Middletown he marched in the troop of horse commanded by Capt. Comfort Sage. He remained in service all through the war and was discharged in 1783 with the title of Brevet Major. He was one of the founders of the Society of the Cincinnati. His house and headstone are given herein. He d. Dec. 7, 1787.

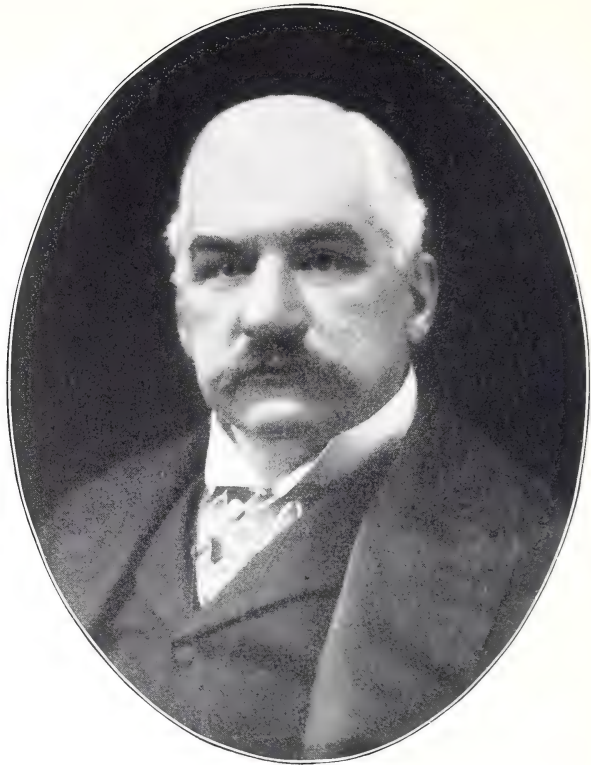
*Children by first marriage:*

- Reuben, b. Mar. 1, 1764; m. Sept. 7, 1788, Hannah Brooks.  
*Children:* Joseph, Edward, Pitkin.





CHARLES HENRY STANTON  
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- 16 David Edwards, b. July 15, 1765.  
Sarah, b. June 1, 1769; d. Sept. 1, 1769.

*Children by second marriage:*

Sarah, b. Apr. 21, 1771; m. Nov. 24, 1791, Capt. Asa Sage.  
Her tombstone was erected by Asa Sage Ranney. He d.  
July 15, 1816, Wilmington, N. C. She d. Mar. 7, 1838.

- 17 Samuel, b. May 13, 1773.

12 Rev. James Eells, b. Mar. 11, 1743, Upper Houses; m. Sept. 3, 1770, Mrs. Mary Johnson, widow of Deacon Thomas Johnson, who d. Sept. 9, 1802, in the fifty-fourth year of her age. He grad. 1763, at Yale, and then studied theology with the Rev. Dr. Backus of Somers. He was called, Apr. 20, 1769, to the pastorate of the East Glastonbury Cong. ch., at a salary of £70, with £100 for a settlement, the use of forty acres, and twenty-five cords of wood annually brought to his house. He was ordained Aug. 23, 1769, the service being held on a flat rock in the vicinity of where the meeting-house was built, the sermon being preached by his father. He d. Jan. 20, 1805.

*Child:*

- 18 James, b. Apr. 27, 1778.

13 Sally<sup>6</sup> Spencer, bapt. May 6, 1787, Upper Houses; m. Sept. 20, 1807, Joseph Morgan, Jr., b. Jan. 4, 1780, in Ireland Parish, West Springfield, Mass.; only son of Joseph Morgan and Experience Smith. He rem. 1817, to Hartford, Conn., and became proprietor of the "Exchange Coffee House." In April, 1829, he leased the City Hotel and in 1835 retired from business, one of the founders, a director, and large owner of stock of the Aetna (Fire) Ins. Co. till death, July 23, 1847. The widow d. Aug. 6, 1859.

*Children:*

Mary, b. Nov. 19, 1808; m. July 16, 1832, Rev. James A. Smith, son of Rev. Joseph M. Smith and Nancy C. Root.

Lucy, b. Feb. 4, 1811; m. July 30, 1832, James Goodwin, Esq., of Hartford, parents of the Rev. Francis Goodwin, D. D., and James Junius Goodwin, who have done so much for the City of Hartford.

Junius Spencer, b. Apr. 14, 1813; m. May 2, 1836, Juliet Pierpont. Parents of J. Pierpont Morgan, whose portrait adorns our Life Membership Certificate and who has very generously aided our Society and given \$100 for books for the Nathaniel White Public School.

[SPENCER LINEAGE—Thomas<sup>1</sup> Spencer in 1635 had land recorded to him in "Newtowne," now Cambridge, Mass., and is supposed to be the Thomas Spencer who took the freeman's oath May 14, 1634. In 1639 he had become a resident of Hartford, Conn., and many parcels of land were recorded to him. He m. (2) Sept. 11, 1645, Sarah Bearding, dau. of Nathaniel Bearding of Hartford. He d. Sept. 11, 1687.

Obadiah<sup>2</sup> Spencer was adm. a freeman in 1658, being the child of the first wife, whose name is not known. He m. Mary Desborough, dau. of Nicholas Desborough, of Hartford. In his will Obadiah makes mention of his "wife's father," Mark Kelcy deceased.

Samuel<sup>3</sup> Spencer, b. Hartford, bought May 2, 1727, for £120 lands near Middle Haddam, was adm. Nov. 18, 1733, to the church in East Middletown, was an original member of the Haddam Neck Cong. ch. organized in 1740. He d. 1756.

John<sup>4</sup> Spencer, b. Oct. 10, 1696, Hartford; m. Nov. 4, 1741, Elizabeth Taylor. He d. 1757. The widow died in Upper Houses, June 30, 1807, aged ninety. Her gravestone is in the Spencer row in the old cemetery in Cromwell.

Samuel<sup>5</sup> Spencer, b. Oct. 20, 1744.]

14 Robert<sup>6</sup> Eells, b. July 26, 1785, Upper Houses; m. New Hartford, N. Y., Rebecca Hatch, b. Apr. 14, 1793, Wethersfield, Conn., dau. of Simeon and Abigail (Kilbourn) Hatch. Cooper, farmer, merchant, Whig, Cong.; both d. Clinton, N. Y., he Aug. 12, 1873; she Oct. 5, 1866.

*Children:*

20 Charles William, b. July 15, 1817.

George Kilbourn, b. July 16, 1820; m. Caroline Prior. He d. Jan. 30, 1878; she Jan. 30, 1905.

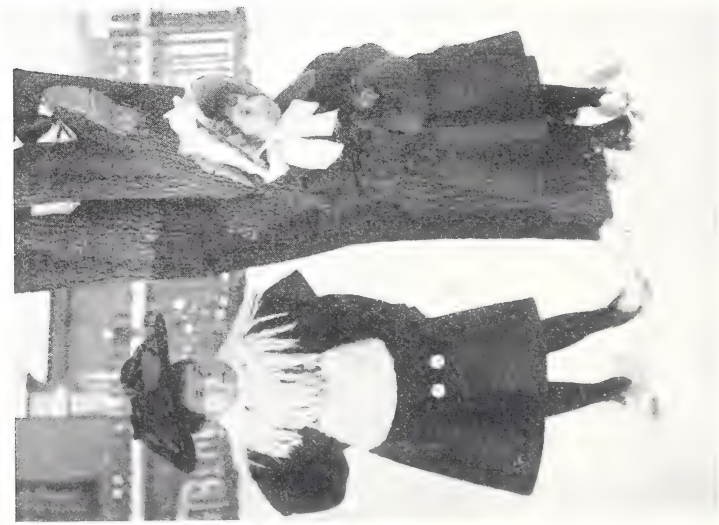
Henry Pierpont, b. Jan. 15, 1825; d. Sept. 17, 1889; m. (1) Elizabeth Andrews; m. (2) Mary Jane Crocker.

15 Patty<sup>6</sup> Eells, b. Oct. 26, 1787, Upper Houses; m. Mar. 11, 1811, New Hartford, N. Y., Paul Abbott, b. Mar. 7, 1783, Union, Conn., son of William Abbott and Esther Green, a Rev. soldier, whose grandmother, Elizabeth Gray, was granddaughter of Mary Chiltern of the *Mayflower*, wife of John Winslow. Paul Abbott, mer. tailor, elder Presb. ch.; d. Mar. 19, 1831, Lowville, N. Y.; she Apr. 16, 1823, New Hartford, N. Y.

*Of their children:*

May, b. \_\_\_\_\_, 1812.





TRUTH<sup>10</sup> AND EVANGELINE<sup>10</sup> BELLS  
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REV. EDWARD<sup>10</sup> BELLS, PASTOR AT FALL RIVER, MASS.  
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Elizabeth, b. ————, 1814.

- 21 Henry Green, b. July 19, 1818.  
 22 William Eells, b. Jan. 19, 1822.  
 23 James Hamlin, b. June 6, 1824.  
 Thomas, b. ————, 1829.

16 Rev. David Edwards<sup>6</sup> Eells, b. July 13, 1765, Upper Houses; m. Elizabeth Starr, dau. of Capt. William Starr of Middletown, Conn. (See Starr Genealogy.)

*Child:*

Samuel<sup>7</sup>, b. Nov. 22, 1786; d. Dec. 27, 1854; m. Lucena Woodward of Middletown, Conn. Deacon and mer. *Children:*  
 Rev. William Woodward<sup>8</sup>, D. D., b. 1811; d. 1886.

Samuel Thomas<sup>8</sup>, b. 1813; d. 1894.

Rev. Edward<sup>8</sup>, b. Nov. 10, 1818; Yale and Princeton Theol. Pastor and miss.; d. Mar. 11, 1897, Washington, D. C.

*Children:*

Maj. William Bedinger<sup>9</sup>; res. Mt. Gilead, O.

Mary, b. Dr. Geo. Henderson; res. Washington, D. C.  
 Annie Powers; m. S. P. Franchot; res. Niagara Falls, N. Y.

Rev. Edward<sup>9</sup>, b. July 11, 1861; m. Dec. 24, 1891, Annie Auchmoody; studied Washington and Lee Uni.; Uni. of Va.; Union Theol. Sem. Pastor Presb. ch., Fall River, Mass. *Children:*

Earnest Edward, b. Nov. 28, 1892.

Hastings, b. June 9, 1895.

Truth, b. Apr. 24, 1897.

Evangeline, b. Apr. 28, 1900.

Abigail, b. May 3, 1905.

17 Capt. Samuel<sup>6</sup> Eells, b. May 13, 1773; d. Dec., 1856; m. (1) July 20, 1794, Aurora Smith of Glastonbury, b. June 10, 1773; d. Feb. 26, 1834; m. (2) Priscilla Williams. He was a vessel owner, sea captain and merchant at Upper Houses. Rem. to Richboro, Pa., and had a general store. Was guardian to Asa Sage Ranney.

*Children:*

Thomas Jeduthan Smith, b. June 28, 1795; d. Jan. 8, 1797.

- 24 Ralph S., b. Aug. 1, 1797.

18 Rev. James<sup>6</sup> Eells, b. Apr. 27, 1778, Glastonbury, Conn.; m. (1) Jan. 13, 1804, Lucretia Rose; m. (2) Jan. 23, 1814, Me-

hitable Parmelee, dau. of Deacon Dan Parmelee of Durham, Conn. Grad. 1799, Yale. Settled as pastor at Westmoreland, N. Y.

*Children by first marriage:*

- Mary, b. —————; d. at age of two years.  
 James Henry, b. Aug. 27, 1808; d. Dec. 7, 1836.  
 25 Samuel, b. May 21, 1810.  
 Mary Lucretia, b. June 18, 1812; d. Feb. 9, 1855.

*Children by second marriage:*

- 26 Timothy Dwight, b. Nov. 1, 1815.  
 27 James, b. Aug. 27, 1822.  
 28 Dan Parmelee, b. Apr. 16, 1825.

20 Charles William<sup>7</sup> Eells, b. July 15, 1817, Kirkland, N. Y.; m. Feb. 19, 1840; Mary Ann Prior, b. June 17, 1817. Farmer, Rep., Presb. She d. Feb. 15, 1878; he Apr. 18, 1903, Clinton,

*Children:*

- Elizabeth<sup>8</sup>, b. Mar. 15, 1841; m. (1) Sept. 20, 1871, William F. Hatch of Winsted, Conn., who d. Sept. 25, 1886; m. (2) Dec. 23, 1890, William Eells Abbott, who d. Apr. 29, 1899. Widow res. Clinton, N. Y.  
 Martha Lucretia<sup>8</sup>, b. Apr. 16, 1843; unm.; res. Clinton, N. Y.  
 Theodore Henry<sup>8</sup>, b. Aug. 21, 1845; m. Feb. 12, 1874, Mary Davis, b. Sept. 14, 1842; res. Ilion, N. Y. *Children:*  
 Lillian M.<sup>9</sup>, b. Dec. 15, 1874; m. Mar. 22, 1900, Charles G. Bartholomew; res. Sauquoit, N. Y. *Child:*  
 Irene<sup>10</sup>, b. Jan. 28, 1901.  
 Ida Jane, b. July 18, 1880; m. Apr. 20, 1901, Charles R. Nichols; res. Clinton, N. Y. *Child:*  
 Irene Elizabeth, b. Dec. 30, 1902.

21 Henry Green<sup>7</sup> Abbott, b. July 18, 1818, Lowville, N. Y.; m. Oct. 9, 1844, New Hartford, N. Y., Mary Curtis Babcock, b. Mar. 11, 1820, dau. of Dr. Charles and Nancy (Pratt) Babcock. He was educated at Lowville and Whitesboro Academies, and Oberlin Coll. Merchant many years, Presb. She d. Jan. 1, 1894, Utica, N. Y. He d. Jan. 17, 1896.

*Children:*

- Charles Babcock, b. Nov. 25, 1845; d. July 7, 1846.  
 Thomas Alden, b. June 16, 1847; m. Emma Van Nostrand; res. St. Paul, Minn.  
 Mary Ella, b. July 31, 1849; unm.; res. Utica, N. Y.





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CAPT. SAMUEL EELLS  
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SAMUEL ROBERT EELLS  
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CAPT. RALPH S. EELLS  
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Jane Hurlbut, b. Nov. 27, 1852; unm.; res. Utica, N. Y.

William Pratt, b. May 24, 1856; m. Aug. 25, 1896, May Eastman. Mer.; res. Lake Charles, La.

Henry James, b. Mar. 30, 1858; d. July 31, 1863.

22 William Eells<sup>7</sup> Abbott, b. Jan. 22, 1822, Lowville, N. Y.; m. (1) Aug. 12, 1845, Syracuse, N. Y., Jane Ann Foster, b. Aug. 26, 1818, Litchfield, Conn., dau. of Arnold W. Foster and Susan Deming, who d. Mar. 19, 1889, Syracuse, N. Y.; m. (2) Dec. 23, 1890, West Winsted, Conn., his cousin, Elizabeth Eells Hatch, dau. of Charles William and Mary Ann Prior. He was educated at Lowville and Whitesboro Academies, N. Y., and Oberlin Coll., O. Merchant in Syracuse to 1871; coal trade there to 1893; treas. Central City Bldg. and Loan Assn, charter member Onondaga Co. Savings Bank, supervisor Onondaga County, Cong., Y. M. C. A. Was voluminous writer on historical and genealogical matters. Died Apr. 29, 1899, Syracuse, N. Y. Widow res. Clinton, N. Y.

23 James Hamlin<sup>7</sup> Abbott, b. June 6, 1824, Lowville, N. Y.; m. Jan. 24, 1866, Cazenovia, N. Y., Elizabeth (Andrews) Edson, b. Sept. 13, 1836, New York Mills, N. Y., widow of O. W. Edson, dau. of George Andrews and Polly Walker, and sister of Bishop Edward G. Andrews of the M. E. church. Educated at Lowville and Whitesboro Academies; merchant in Utica, twenty years in dry goods business; rem. to Chicago, 1865, and in shoe business till 1868; asst. cashier Chicago Custom House, 1883-6; Cong. She d. Jan. 2, 1885; res. Chicago, Ill.

*Children:*

Fannie Burdett, b. Dec. 9, 1867; m. Rev. Willis A. Luce of Maine.

Charles Bickford, b. Jan. 18, 1869; d. infancy.

Henry Hurlbut, b. Nov. 17, 1870; m. Florence Call.

Paul Walker, b. Feb. 3, 1872; d. June 8, 1893.

George Andrews, b. Mar. 11, 1873; m. 1902, Marie Millage.

24 Capt. Ralph Smith<sup>7</sup> Eells, b. Aug. 1, 1797, Upper Houses; m. (1) Nov. 2, 1821, Mary C. Williams of City of Middletown, who d. 1826; m. (2) Maria Molineaux of Tortosa, West Indies, d. Jan. 22, 1834, age 25 years; m. (3) Sarah Addis of Addisville, Pa. He was a sea captain and d. in 1845.

*Children by first marriage:*

Mary Catherine, b. 1821; d. in infancy.

29 Samuel R., b. Aug. 19, 1822.

*Child by second marriage:*

Lucy Maria Aurora, b. Apr. 10, 1832.

25 Samuel<sup>r</sup> Eells, b. May 21, 1810, Westmoreland, N. Y.; grad. 1832, Hamilton College, with the highest honors of his class, d.; unm., Mar. 13, 1842. He read law in Springfield, O., settled, 1835, in Cincinnati, and formed a law partnership with Hon. Salmon P. Chase, afterwards Secretary of the Treasury and Chief Justice of the U. S. Supreme Court.

In a letter dated May 26, 1866, Judge Chase refers to the early and untimely death of Samuel Eells as follows: "A sun that scarcely rose above the horizon ere it hastened to its setting, but, during its brief course, all radiant with the light of mind."

Although the life of Samuel Eells was comparatively brief, it comprised one achievement which has handed down his name to posterity. At Hamilton College, in 1832, he founded the Alpha Delta Phi fraternity, which has become one of the best and most influential of the so-called Greek letter college societies, having at the date of this writing, in 1907, chapters in most of the prominent colleges of the country. Many of the men most renowned in letters and in business have been among its members. Samuel Eells was not only its founder, but he also outlined its methods and aims so definitely and so indelibly that his personal influence continues to be felt to an extraordinary degree. As a consequence, his name is known and cherished throughout the fraternity, and at every banquet and reunion it is customary for the assemblage, "standing and in silence," to toast the memory of the founder, Samuel Eells.

There are two original portraits of Samuel Eells in existence, owned, respectively, by the Hamilton Chapter and by the Williams Chapter. Copies of these portraits have been presented this year (1907) to the Alpha Delta Phi Club, at 136 West 44th Street, New York, and to the Cornell Chapter, at Ithaca, N. Y., by the founder's nephew, Howard Parmelee Eells, of Cleveland, Ohio.

In response to an invitation to the Annual Convention of Alpha Delta Phi in 1867, Chief Justice Chase wrote as follows: "The generous aims and noble purposes of the Association must endear it to all its members. In my thoughts and feelings it must have a special interest, derived from my intimate relations with Samuel Eells. His rare gifts and unique attainments gave promise of a brilliant career. To a most persuasive and prevailing eloquence he joined the grace of high literary culture and the strength of profound legal knowledge, while in the walks of private companionship he was equally endeared by his tenderness and his manliness.

He died young, but the career begun among men was continued among angels."

26 Timothy Dwight<sup>7</sup> Eells, b. Nov. 1, 1815, Westmoreland, N. Y.; d. Apr. 19, 1876, Cleveland, O. He came in 1831 with his father's family to Ohio. Although not a college graduate, he received a good education and was engaged in business of various kinds in Elyria, Cuyahoga Falls and Navarre, Ohio; Waterford, Rhode Island, and Auburn and Penn Yan, N. Y. About 1855 he established himself in Cleveland and became Secretary of The Cleveland Gas Light and Coke Company, which responsible position he filled with great acceptance and ability until his death. He was actively and prominently identified with the iron ore interests of Lake Superior. He m., first, Mary Conklin Ostrom, by whom he had several children, only one of whom is now living in the person of Frances Catherine Homans, of New York, widow of Edward C. Homans. Mrs. Homans had five daughters and one son, Howard Parmelee Homans, of New York City. Mr. Eells' second wife was Elizabeth S. Mills, by whom he had two daughters, Charlotte, wife of Stewart McClure, still living in Oakland, Cal., and Mary Warren, widow of J. Selden Blair, who is still living in Scranton, Pa. His third wife was Harriet Snell, of Rome, N. Y.; no children. Mr. Eells was an earnest and active member of the Second Presbyterian Church, of Cleveland. He was for many years Superintendent of its Sunday school and of several mission schools identified with that church. He was universally beloved and respected.

27 Rev. James<sup>7</sup> Eells, D. D., b. Aug. 27, 1822, Westmoreland, N. Y.; d. Mar. 9, 1886, Cincinnati, O. He m. Emma Paige, who res. in Santa Barbara, Cal.

He graduated from Auburn Theological Seminary in 1851. Immediately after his graduation he became pastor of the First Presbyterian Church of Penn Yan, N. Y., where he remained until 1854, when he received and accepted a call from the Second Presbyterian Church of Cleveland, Ohio. In 1859 he received and accepted a call to the "Reformed Church on the Heights," in Brooklyn; N. Y. In 1867 he became pastor of the First Presbyterian Church of San Francisco, California. After several years he returned to Cleveland and again became pastor of the Second Presbyterian Church. He subsequently returned to California and became pastor of the First Presbyterian Church of Oakland, at the same time filling a chair in San Francisco Theological Seminary. In 1879 he became Professor of Sacred Rhetoric and Pas-

toral Theology in Lane Theological Seminary, Cincinnati. Mr. Eells was widely known throughout the Presbyterian Church, which he served in many important and responsible capacities. He received the degree of Doctor in Divinity from the University of the City of New York, and in 1877 was elected Moderator of the Presbyterian General Assembly, which met in Chicago. The same year he was chosen to represent the Presbyterian Church of the United States at the Pan Presbyterian Council in Edinburgh, Scotland.

*Children:*

Helen Little, b. Dec. 30, 1852; m. Horatio P. Livermore, of San Francisco, Cal.

Charles Parmelee, b. May 16, 1853, grad. at Hamilton Coll., 1874; prominent lawyer in San Francisco; m. Gertrude, dau. of J. L. N. Shepard, of Oakland, Cal.; has three daughters and one son, John Shepard Eells, also a lawyer in San Francisco.

James<sup>8</sup>, b. in Englewood, N. J., Nov. 21, 1865; grad. at Hamilton College and Auburn Theological Seminary; m. Kate, dau. of Hon. Milton H. Merwin, of Utica, N. Y., has two sons, James<sup>9</sup> and Merwin. Late pastor of First Church of Boston.

Emma Louise Adelaide, b. in Cleveland, O., Dec. 21, 1870; d. in Santa Barbara, Cal., in Feb., 1904.

28 Dan Parmelee<sup>7</sup> Eells, b. Apr. 16, 1825, Westmoreland, N. Y.; grad. from Hamilton College in 1848; m. (1) Sept. 13, 1849, Mary Maria Howard; m. (2) Mary Witt.

His business life began, immediately after leaving college, at Cleveland as a clerk in the forwarding and commission house of Barney, Waring & Co. On March 1, 1849, he commenced his long term of service in the Commercial Branch of the State Bank of Ohio, now the National Commercial Bank of Cleveland. He was elected cashier of this bank on November 23, 1858. On the organization of its successor, The Commercial National Bank, he became its Vice-President, and in 1868 its President. He held this position until he retired from active business in the year 1900. At that time he was the longest in service of any bank officer in the State of Ohio.

Mr. Eells' business interests were varied and extensive. He was identified with the construction of several important railroads, among which were the Lake Erie and Western Railway, the Ohio Central Railway and the New York, Chicago and St. Louis Railway. He was a Director of the United States Express Company



DAN PARMELEE EELLS  
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Walter G. Eells  
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FELLS GROUP AT THE 1788 WELL OF REV. EDWARD FELLOES, 1901



until his death. He was one of the projectors of the Otis Iron and Steel Co., which, during his connection with it, became one of the largest and most successful steel mills of the world. He was also for many years a Director of the Cleveland Rolling Mill Company, of the Brown-Bonnell Iron Company of Youngstown, of the King Bridge Company, the American Wire Company, the Cleveland Gas Light and Coke Co., the Bucyrus Company, the Cleveland City Railway Company, the Cleveland, Lorain & Wheeling Railway Company, the Cincinnati, Newport & Covington Railway Co., the Central Railway & Bridge Co., and other influential corporations. Throughout his entire life he was identified with many religious and beneficent undertakings and institutions. He was a member of the Second Presbyterian Church of Cleveland for more than fifty years, and was successively Deacon and Elder of that church. For a number of terms he was President of the Young Men's Christian Association, of Cleveland, and was a Trustee of the Young Women's Christian Association, of which his wife is now the President. He was for more than twenty-five years President of the Cleveland Bible Society. For almost thirty years and up to the time of his death he was Treasurer of the Cleveland Protestant Orphan Asylum. He was a Trustee of the Children's Aid Society and of the Bethel Association. He was also a Trustee of Lane Theological Seminary, Cincinnati, of Lake Erie Seminary of Painesville, of Hamilton College and of Oberlin College. In 1881 Mr. and Mrs. Eells erected for the First Baptist Church of Cleveland, the Idaka Chapel, as a memorial of their daughter, whose name it bears. This building is still a part of the church establishment at the corner of Prospect Avenue and East Forty-sixth Street. In 1883 Mr. Eells purchased a lot at the corner of Willson Avenue (now East Fifty-fifth Street) and Lexington Avenue, Cleveland, and erected thereon a church building for what was then known as the Willson Avenue Presbyterian Church. This property, completely equipped and furnished, was presented by him to the church organization, free of all indebtedness and without restriction. After Mr. Eells' death the name of the church was changed, by the unanimous wish of its members, to the Eells Memorial Church, which name it still bears, and of which, at this writing, Rev. Leonard A. Barrett is pastor.

*Children by first marriage:*

- 31 Howard Parmelee, b. June 16, 1855.  
Emma Paige, b. Cleveland, Apr. 8, 1857; grad. Wells Coll., N. Y., 1876; m. Nov. 11, 1880, Arthur St. John Newberry, second son of John Strong Newberry, M. D., LL. D., and Sarah Brownell Gaylord; res. Cleveland, O.

*Children:*

Winifred Eells, b. Sept. 5, 1881.

John Strong, b. Apr. 8, 1883.

Mary Witt, b. June 21, 1885.

*Child by second marriage:*

Stillman Witt, b. Apr. 24, 1873.

29 Samuel Robert<sup>s</sup> Eells, b. on shipboard in the harbor of Bath Me., Apr. 19, 1822, while his father was on a voyage. He passed his early years in Upper Houses; rem. with his father and grandfather to Richboro, Pa., taught school, mem. of Pa. Legislature from Bucks Co.; rem. to Philadelphia and engaged in the willow ware business until the early part of the Civil War, when he returned to Bucks Co. Ret. to Philadelphia in 1866, where he res. until his death, Mar. 5, 1898. He was a great student and scholar. He m. Nov. 23, 1843, Feasterville, Bucks Co., Pa., Phoebe V. Feaster, b. Mar. 21, 1824; d. Apr. 13, 1905, dau. of Aaron and Elizabeth Feaster of Quaker descent. Both are buried in Greenmount Cem., Phila.

*Children:*

29a Anna Eliza, b. Aug. 16, 1845.

29b Mary Catherine, b. Aug. 22, 1847.

29c Sarah Jane, b. Jan. 23, 1850.

29d Edward, b. Feb. 6, 1852.

Charles M., b. Mar. 26, 1854; d. Mar. 17, 1861.

Lucy M. A., b. Sept. 11, 1856; d. Mar. 24, 1861.

Aaron F., b. Sept. 1, 1859; d. Mar. 15, 1861.

30 Walter Gibbs, b. Nov. 23, 1861.

30a Wilmer F., b. July 19, 1864.

30b Thomas S., b. Feb. 12, 1866.

Rachel Feaster, b. Dec. 28, 1868; d. June 30, 1869.

29a Anna Eliza Eells, b. Aug. 16, 1845; m. Apr. 3, 1864, George Taylor, who d. Nov. 29, 1887.

*Children:*

William, b. Feb. 3, 1865; d. Aug. 25, 1868.

Addie, b. Mar. 31, 1867; m. B. Frank Glenn.

George W., b. July 15, 1869; m. —; has two children.

Samuel Robert, b. Dec. 4, 1871; d. Dec. 5, 1871.

Frank, b. Apr. 25, 1873; d. Nov. 27, 1890.

Lucy M. A., b. Nov. 23, 1875; m. Walter Castle, who d. 1904.

*Child:* Edith.

Mary Eells, b. Jan. 13, 1878; d. Jan. 28, 1879.

29b Mary Catherine Eells, b. Aug. 23, 1847; m. Aug. 16, 1878, Frank Corson of Goshen, N. J.

*Child:*

Raymond Samuel, b. Feb. 26, 1879; m. Nov., 1903, Dorcas Ross.

29c Sarah Jane Eells, b. Jan. 23, 1850; m. June 28, 1877, Wilson W. Sell.

*Children:*

Mabel Eells, b. June 15, 1878; m. Wilson Engle. *Children:* Dorothy I., Irma.

Alma Feaster, b. Jan. 28, 1882; m. Sept. 12, 1907, William Baldwin.

29d Edward Eells, b. Feb. 6, 1852; m. Nov. 2, 1872, Sarah McKee.

*Children:*

Samuel Robert, b. July 21, 1873; d. Aug. 15, 1873.

Charles M., b. Aug. 22, 1874; m. Nov. 19, 1894, Regina Steffler, b. Feb. 5, 1876. *Children:*

Edward J., b. Apr. 23, 1896; d. Mar. 21, 1897.

Mary V., b. May 16, 1898; d. same day.

Charles F., b. Apr. 20, 1902.

Regina, b. Feb. 7, 1904.

Edward, b. Sept. 27, 1876; m. Oct. 19, 1898, Mary A. G. Lunny, b. Apr. 3, 1878. *Children:*

Elizabeth A., b. Aug. 27, 1899.

Edward J., b. Sept. 1, 1902.

Gertrude, b. Jan. 25, 1905.

Alma Feaster, b. Oct. 11, 1880; d. Dec. 11, 1894.

Lelia, b. Nov. 26, 1883; married.

Mabel V., b. Sept. 10, 1886.

Walter G., b. May 9, 1888.

Bonsall, b. Dec. 17, 1890.

Elsie H., b. Mar. 29, 1893.

30 Walter Gibbs<sup>9</sup> Eells, b. Nov. 23, 1861, Philadelphia; m. Apr. 27, 1886, Amenia W. Gwint, b. Nov. 24, 1861. He is a Presbyterian and hat manufacturer; res. Philadelphia, Pa.

*Child:*

Elva Lowden<sup>10</sup>, b. Dec. 16, 1887.

30a Wilmer Feaster Eells, b. Jan. 19, 1864; m. 1887, Mattie Goss.

*Children:*

Blanche Feaster, b. June 30, 1888.

Helen Viola, b. Dec., 1894.

30b Thomas Sterritt Eells, b. Feb. 12, 1866; m. Oct. 4, 1895.  
 Laura Flanagan, b. Jan. 28, 1872.

*Children:*

James Sterritt, b. Oct. 16, 1900.

Thomas Samuel, b. Oct. 8, 1904.

Marguerette, b. Nov., 1906.

31 Howard Parmelee<sup>s</sup> Eells, b. June 16, 1855, Cleveland, O.;  
 m. (1) Apr. 20, 1881, Alice Maud Overton; m. (2) Nov. 11, 1889,  
 Maud Stager.

Howard Parmelee Eells prepared for college at Greylock Institute, South Williamstown, Mass., and was graduated at Hamilton College in the class of 1876. He then entered the Senior Class at Harvard University and was graduated in the Class of 1877. He became associated with his father in business, and has become actively engaged in a number of important enterprises. He has also been identified with a number of local institutions of a beneficent and educational character, among which are the following: University School, Hathaway-Brown School, Cleveland Protestant Orphan Asylum (of which he succeeded his father as Treasurer), Lake View Cemetery Association, Children's Aid Society, Cleveland Humane Society, Cleveland Bethel Union, Home for Aged Women. At this writing, 1907, he is President of The Bucyrus Company, South Milwaukee, Wisconsin; of The Atchison and Eastern Bridge Company; and of The Chicago Drop Forge and Foundry Co. He is also one of the Administrative Council of the National Metal Trades Association and a member of the Executive Committee. He is a Director of The Superior Savings and Trust Company, of Cleveland, and of other corporations.

*Children by first marriage:*

Emma Witt Harris, b. Oct. 4, 1882.

Dan Parmelee<sup>9</sup>, b. Sept. 24, 1884; grad. 1907, Cornell Uni.

*Children by second marriage:*

Frances Homan, b. May 3, 1891.

Howard, Jr., b. Aug. 25, 1892.

Harriet Stager, b. Apr. 19, 1894.

Samuel, b. Aug. 13, 1895.

## THE GAYLORD FAMILY.

1 William<sup>1</sup> Gaylord was one of the one hundred and forty persons who embarked at Plymouth, Eng., on the *Mary and John*, on Mar. 20, 1630, and landed, May 30, at Mattapan, or Dorchester, Mass. There was "preaching and expounding of the word of God every day for ten weeks together by our ministers," wrote Roger Clap. In 1635 some of the party journeyed to the Connecticut Valley and located at what is Windsor, bringing their church organization with them. The two hundred and seventy-fifth anniversary of this church was celebrated at Windsor in Nov., 1905. The Rev. Mr. Warham, who came over with them was their pastor till his death in 1670. William Gaylord, a life deacon, held many local offices and died in 1673, aged eighty-eight. His third child was:

2 Walter<sup>2</sup> Gaylord (William<sup>1</sup>), b. in England, abt. 1622; m. Apr. 22, 1648, Mary<sup>2</sup> Stebbins (Edward<sup>1</sup> of Hartford). He d. Aug. 9, 1689. Their sixth child was

3 Eleazar<sup>3</sup> Gaylord (Walter<sup>2</sup>, William<sup>1</sup>), b. Mar. 7, 1662; m. Aug. 11, 1686, Martha Thompson. Their fourth child was

4 Samuel<sup>4</sup> Gaylord (Eleazar<sup>3</sup>, Walter<sup>2</sup>, William<sup>1</sup>), b. Mar. 9, 1697, Windsor, Conn.; m. Feb. 9, 1719, Middletown, Conn., Margaret Southmayd. He was "adm. an inhabitant" at Middletown, Jan. 11, 1719. His house is the oldest standing in Middletown and is seen herewith. St. John's Lodge, F. & A. M. No. 2, held its first meeting there, Feb. 26, 1754. The initials "S & M" were carved on the stone fireplace, and remained till a few years ago. He was a mariner with his father-in-law, Capt. Southmayd, in the West India trade. He d. May 17, 1726. She m. (?) Sept. 30, 1730, Seth Wetmore and d. Nov. 6, 1730. The children were Mellicent, Samuel<sup>5</sup>, Ann, and Eleazar who served in the French-Indian War, m. Eunice Gilbert and had a son, Eleazar, b. Jan. 2, 1760.

5 Samuel<sup>5</sup> Gaylord (Samuel<sup>4</sup>, Eleazar<sup>3</sup>, Walter<sup>2</sup>, William<sup>1</sup>), b. Jan. 6, 1722; m. July 8, 1745, Upper Houses, Margaret Clark, b. Jan. 23, 1725, dau. of Cheney<sup>3</sup> Clark. He became, Mar. 17, 1756,

a member of St. John's Lodge, F. & A. M. His home was where the Cromwell Cong. ch. stands. He served as Lieut. and Capt., 1755-60, in the French-Indian Wars, and his record is fully given in the Vols. of the Conn. Hist. Soc. Library. He d. Aug. 17, 1793; she, Oct. 7, 1806, and neither have a stone to locate their graves in our cemetery. His autograph is given in the Smith Family chapter.

*Children:*

- Margaret, b. May 12, 1746; m. Capt. Joseph Smith. (See the Smith Family.)
- 6 Jonathan, b. Oct. 29, 1747.  
Millicent, b. June 16, 1749; m. Simeon Savage.  
Mary, b. Nov. 26, 1750; d. Oct. 28, 1751.
- 7 Samuel, b. Sept. 20, 1754.  
Stuart, b. Oct. 12, 1757.  
William Cheney, bapt. Jan. 6, 1760; d. Nov. 29, 1825, Upper Houses; m. May 16, 1782, Mary Savage<sup>6</sup> White, b. June 8, 1763, dau. of Elias<sup>5</sup> White (Isaac<sup>4</sup>, Daniel<sup>3</sup>, Nathaniel<sup>2</sup>, John<sup>1</sup>) and Prudence<sup>4</sup> Savage (Joseph<sup>3</sup>, William<sup>2</sup>, John<sup>1</sup>).

[CLARK LINEAGE—John<sup>1</sup> Clark, b. 1612, Ipswich, Eng., came to Mass.; in 1634 was among the early settlers of New Haven, where he assisted in the formation of the government. In 1648 he was clerk of the militia. He m. a dau. of George Lamberton of the *Phantom Ship*.

John<sup>2</sup> Clark, b. 1637, New Haven; m. Abigail Cheney. Children, whose births are recorded in Middletown:

*Children:*

- Anne, b. Nov. 5, 1690.  
John, b. Apr. 12, 1693.  
Ambrose, b. Mar. 25, 1696; m. Elizabeth Ward, b. 1694, dau. of James Ward and Elizabeth Rockwell.  
Cheney<sup>3</sup>, b. Oct. 8, 1698.  
Eunice, b. Aug. 27, 1700.

Cheney<sup>3</sup> Clark, b. Oct. 8, 1698; m. Sept. 1, 1720, Elizabeth Hall,

*Child:*

Margaret<sup>4</sup>, b. Jan. 27, 1725.]

6 Jonathan<sup>6</sup> Gaylord, b. Oct. 29, 1747, Upper Houses; m. May 9, 1773, Elizabeth Goodwin, b. —————; d. 1809. He served in the Rev. War as a carpenter on the frigate *Trumbull*, David

Saltonstall, commander, Dec. 23, 1776—Dec. 23, 1777, and as sergeant in Co. of Capt. Return Jonathan Meigs in 1775. He rem. 1808, to Stow, O., where he d. 1819. He and brother Samuel and dau. Margaret Stow, with their families, journeyed together and bought homesteads of Joshua Stow, who had been commissary of the Conn. Land Co., and bought ten thousand acres in partnership with Jozeb Stocking.

*Children:*

Peggy, bapt. May 8, 1774; m. 1796, William Stow. (See the Stow Family.)

8 Jonathan, bapt. Feb. 18, 1776.

William, bapt. Oct. 31, 1779; m. Prudence Gilbert.

9 Thomas, bapt. Feb. 25, 1781; m. (1) Betsy Butler; m. (2) Isabelle Spears.

Varens, b. Oct. 17, 1784.

Vashti, b. Oct. 17, 1784.

Betsy, b. Mar. 5, 1786; m. Leonard Case.

Abiah, b. Mar. 5, 1786; d. Feb. 5, 1850; m. William McClelland.

7 Samuel<sup>6</sup> Gaylord, b. Sept. 20, 1754, Upper Houses; m. May 13, 1779, Middletown, Conn., Azubah Atkins, b. Sept. 6, 1753; d. July 20, 1825, Stow, O., dau. of James Atkins and Rebecca Stone of Middletown. His Rev. War record is as follows: Private in Captain Ebenezer Hill's Company, Colonel Charles Webb's Regiment. Enlisted July 27, 1775, discharged Dec. 24, 1775; private in Captain Daniel Benedict's Company, 9th Regiment of Militia; discharged Sept. 25, 1776. (Regiment at New York, 1776); private in Captain Jared Shepherd's Company, Colonel Thomas Belden's Regiment, time of marching Mar. 29, 1777; discharged May 19, 1777; private in Captain John Ensign's Company, Colonel Increase Moseley's Regiment; arrived in camp July 12, 1778. (Two militia regiments were ordered to the Hudson, soon after the battle of Monmouth, June 28, 1778), and were stationed at different points, such as Fort Clinton, West Point, etc., they were commanded by Col. Moseley, and Colonel Enos.

He reached Cleveland when the only frame building there was the post office, which was twelve feet square. He settled in Stow, as did the others of the numerous party, and d. Sept. 7, 1813, at the home of his son, John Jenison.

*Children:*

10 John Jenison, b. Oct. 12, 1780.

11 Samuel, b. Aug. 27, 1782.

- 12 Stewart, b. Feb. 8, 1784.  
 Rhoda Rice, b. Sept. 20, 1785; d.; unm.  
 Clarissa, b. Jan. 22, 1788; m. William Ranney. (See the  
 Ranney Family.)  
 Elizabeth Nott, b. Jan. 6, 1791; m. ———— Drake.  
 Josiah, b. Nov. 13, 1795.

8 Jonathan<sup>7</sup> Gaylord, bapt. Feb. 18, 1776; m. Apr. 9, 1798, Upper Houses, Martha Thomas, b. Nov. 10, 1771, Haddam, Conn., dau. of Evan Thomas, a Rev. soldier, who rem. 1794, to the Upper Houses, was buried there and has a bronze marker of the S. A. R. at his grave. Mr. Gaylord served in War of 1812 as sergeant in Capt. Thomas Rice's Co., Maj. George Darrow's, Odd Battalion, Fourth Brigade, Fourth Division, Ohio Militia, from Aug. 22, 1812 to Oct. 3, 1812, and d. July 10, 1826. She d. Mar. 4, 1864. They rem. from the Upper Houses, starting June 1, 1808, making the trip with oxen and a saddle horse. There was with him his parents, five uncles and aunts, Thomas, William, Betsy, Peggy and Abiah. They were forty-one days on the journey and settled in the southern part of Stow township. Their farm of 200 acres was covered with timber, they erected a log cabin which served them for some years. Elizabeth Goodwin, the mother of Jonathan, Jr., d. in 1809, and was the first person buried in the township. Jonathan, Jr., was a ship carpenter and walked to Cleveland on Monday and back on Saturday. On a return trip he passed a woman churning. Being warm and tired he asked for a glass of milk. He drank several and passed on. He was found dead, sitting against a tree. His widow divided the farm between her four sons, the one taking the quarter with the house, giving her a life lease of it. She lived in the log cabin till three months before her death in 1864 at the age of ninety-three. Her birthday was annually celebrated with a "Wood Bee," the descendants hauling, sawing and splitting it till noon when the "women folks" called all to dinner. The men ate first, being waited on by the women, then went home to do their chores, and returned for the evening, when there was a general jollification, the old grandmother telling the little ones about the bears, wolves and Indians of her earliest days in the "New Connecticut" or "Western Reserve."

*Children:*

- 13 Isaac Thomas, b. Nov. 17, 1800.  
 Elizabeth Goodwin, bapt. Oct. 24, 1802; m. Frederick Wolcott.  
 Mary Ann Smith; m. Herman Peck.  
 Joshua Thomas; m. Lydia Medley.



- 14 Sylvester.  
Martha; m. Rowland Clapp.  
Eli; m. Mary Wolcott.

9 Thomas<sup>7</sup> Gaylord, bapt. Feb. 25, 1781, Upper Houses; m. (1) Betsy Butler, b. Oct. 30, 1785; d. Oct. 8, 1825; m. (2) Isabelle Spears, b. 1788; d. Oct. 8, 1865. He rem. 1808, with his parents to Stow township, Summit Co., O., and d. June, 1868, Stow, O.

*Children:*

- 15 Elizabeth Goodwin, b. Jan., 1823; d. Apr. 10, 1905; m. June 9, 1851, William Rattle.  
Jane, b. 1827; d. 1905.

11 Samuel<sup>7</sup> Gaylord, b. Aug. 27, 1782, Upper Houses; m. (1) Polly Pons Starr, b. Apr. 27, 1781; d. Dec. 5, 1812, Upper Houses; m. (2) Fanny Starr, b. Aug. 18, 1792; d. Mar. 12, 1867, Brooklyn, N. Y., daughters of Timothy Starr and Mary Yeomans Fosdick. He was a mariner commanding various vessels in the West India trade. Late in life he rem. to Cuyahoga Falls, O., but died in Upper Houses while on a visit.

*Children by first marriage:*

- Samuel, b. June 4, 1806; d. Nov. 14, 1826.  
Mary, b. Apr. 11, 1808; m. Dr. R. S. Warner of Upper Houses.  
John, b. Aug. 14, 1810; d. —————; unm.

*Children by second marriage:*

- Timothy Starr, b. Dec. 10, 1814; d. Brooklyn, N. Y.  
George, b. Feb. 5, 1817; d. 1862, Delphi, Ind.  
William, b. June 8, 1819; d. Brooklyn, N. Y.  
Charles Starr, b. Feb. 12, 1822; m. (1) July 10, 1845, Eliza E. Post of Cromwell; m. (2) ————— Savage of Middletown, Conn.; res. Cuyahoga Falls, O.  
Fanny, b. July 17, 1824; d. Brooklyn, N. Y.  
Harriet Newell, b. June 13, 1829; m. 1852, Capt. Samuel Warner. Child Mary Gloyd. Widow and daughter res. North Brookfield, Mass.  
Ann Eliza, b. Feb. 8, 1832; d. unm.  
Samuel, b. May 8, 1836; d. in Army Hosp., Louisville, Ky. Buried in Cromwell, Conn.

- 12 Stewart<sup>7</sup> Gaylord, b. Feb. 8, 1784, Upper Houses; m. Nov.

7, 1807, Middletown, Conn., Mary A. Cramer, whose father, born in Germany, was a sea captain sailing from Middletown. Mr. Gaylord was a ship carpenter and worked on Lake Erie, building, under a sub-contract, two of the vessels used in the action by Perry's fleet. They were built in the Cuyahoga River at old Portage. He served three months in the War of 1812 and d. Oct. 20, 1840, Stow, Ohio.

*Children:*

- Mary; m. R. Blanchard.  
 Stewart; m. Harriet Gilbert; she res. at Defiance, O.  
 Almira; m. Louis Gilbert.  
 George; m. Sarah Crawford.
- 16 William, b. Feb. 11, 1822.  
 Josiah.
- 17 Hiram, b. Apr. 8, 1827.  
 Robert; m. \_\_\_\_\_ Hammond.

13 Isaac Thomas<sup>s</sup> Gaylord, b. Nov. 17, 1800, Upper Houses; m. (1) July 4, 1825, Mary Porter, who d. Jan. 25, 1850; m. (2) May 8, 1851, Katherine Slater Van Eman, who d. June 17, 1857; m. (3) Nov. 6, 1858, Sophia Porter, who d. Jan. 27, 1892. He d. Oct. 8, 1872. He attended the "Bell" schoolhouse in Upper Houses. This school was erected in 1808 and when dismantled in 1902 the bell was taken to the Nathaniel White schoolhouse to be kept as a relic. It was cast in 1776 and bears the name of Jean Bazin, having the scene of the Crucifixion on one side, and a representation of the Blessed Virgin Mary on another side. His first wife was Mary<sup>s</sup> Porter (William<sup>r</sup>, Daniel<sup>s</sup>, Daniel<sup>s</sup>, John<sup>t</sup>, John<sup>s</sup>, Samuel<sup>2</sup>, John<sup>t</sup>, who m. Oct. 18, 1620, Anna White, sister of Elder John<sup>t</sup> White. John<sup>t</sup> Porter, wife and nine children came on the ship *Susan and Ellen* in 1638 and settled in Windsor, Conn.)

*Children by first marriage:*

- Theodore Porter, b. Oct. 18, 1828; m. Mary L. Turner; d. Ft. Wayne, Ind.
- 18 Harriett, b. Dec. 13, 1830; m. (1) A. T. Housel; m. (2) Henry Gregg.  
 Sarah Porter, b. Apr. 10, 1833; d. Oct. 17, 1849.  
 Albert, b. July 20, 1835; d. Nov. 23, 1838.
- 19 Mary Burt, b. June 29, 1838; m. Hugh Kilpatrick.  
 Amanda Sophia, b. Oct. 24, 1842; d. Aug. 23, 1849.
- 20 Martha Thomas, b. Jan. 14, 1845; m. John R. Bailey.  
 Frances Elizabeth, b. May 7, 1847; d. Dec. 21, 1848.



MRS. ELIZABETH (GAYLORD) RATTLE AND  
GRANDCHILD  
(See page 565)



1. Samuel Gaylord's House, 1719.  
 2. Martha (Thomas) Gaylord.  
 3. Martha (Gaylord) Bailey.  
 4. Isaac Thomas Gaylord.  
 5. Tombstone of Jonathan<sup>6</sup> Gaylord.  
 6. Tombstone of Jonathan<sup>7</sup> Gaylord.

*Child by second marriage:*

Almira Sarah, b. Sept. 23, 1856; m. (1) V. D. Gregg; m. (2) Frank Stone; m. (3) Benjamin Nordyke.

14 Sylvester<sup>s</sup> Gaylord; m. (1) Ruth Nickerson; m. (2) Julia North.

*Child:*

William North<sup>o</sup> Gaylord, b. Feb. 8, 1842, Cuyahoga Falls, O.; m. Dec. 25, 1866, Cuyahoga Falls, Olive Clarissa Castle, b. June 29, 1842, Lodi, N. Y., dau. of Levi Bronson Castle and Elizabeth Brown Cranson. Millwright, Rep., Christian ch.; private Battery D, 1st Reg. Ohio Art., Dec. 10, 1861—July 15, 1865. In fifty-two engagements, had five horses killed under him; res. Cleveland, O. *Children:*

Harry William<sup>o</sup>, b. Dec. 10, 1867, lived one day.

Ethel Gertrude, b. Nov. 27, 1868.

Guy Castle, b. Aug. 16, 1871; d. Apr. 22, 1876.

Julia Elizabeth, b. May 14, 1873; d. June 6, 1873.

Clyde Castle, b. Dec. 4, 1875.

Paul Emberry, b. Nov. 10, 1881.

Karl Emory, b. Nov. 10, 1881.

15 Elizabeth Goodwin<sup>s</sup> Gaylord, b. Jan., 1823, Stowe, O.; m. June, 1851, Stowe, O., William Rattle, b. Oct., 1809, Bath, England; farmer, Rep., F. & A. M., Society of Friends; d. Nov., 1891, Cleveland, O. She Epis.; d. Apr. 10, 1905, Cleveland, O.

*Child:*

William James<sup>o</sup>, b. Sept. 6, 1852; m. Aug. 9, 1877, Cleveland, O., Julia Cary, b. Oct. 1, 1856, Cleveland, dau. of John E. Cary and Mary Stockby. Rep., Epis., 32<sup>o</sup> F. & A. M., mining eng.; res. Cleveland, O. *Children:*

William, b. June 27, 1878; unm.

Mary Stockby, b. July 20, 1879; m. June 14, 1905, Harvey Mansfield, b. Dec. 19, 1873, Gloucester, Mass. Sec.-Treas. The Jandus Electric Co. Res. Cleveland, O.

*Children:*

William Rattle, b. Jan. 11, 1906; d. Jan. 26, 1906.

Mary, b. Dec. 4, 1906.

John Cary, b. Apr. 20, 1882; d. Jan. 10, 1886.

Elizabeth Goodwin, b. June 20, 1890. Her portrait and that of her grandmother are seen herewith.

16 William<sup>s</sup> Gaylord, b. Feb. 11, 1822; d. Nov. 25, 1881; m. (1) Feb. 28, 1844, Adelia M. Curtis, b. Apr. 25, 1827; d. Apr. 5, 1859; m. (2) Jan. 1, 1861, Amy Stevenson, b. Feb. 11, 1835; d. Mar. 26, 1896.

*Children by first marriage:*

Stewart, b. Mar. 6, 1845. Res. Defiance, O.  
 Truman C., b. Apr. 5, 1847; d. Dec. 22, 1868; m. Feb. 18, 1868, Emma Silvernail.  
 William E., b. July 9, 1849; m. Feb. 1, 1876, Kansas Taylor.

*Children:*

Robert T., b. Mar. 8, 1877; m. Dec. 24, 1904, Olive Campbell. Res. Cleveland, O. *Child:*  
 Donald S., b. Nov. 7, 1906.  
 William E., b. Apr. 8, 1879. Res. Akron, O.  
 Amy P., b. May 15, 1881; m. Jan. 31, 1901, Murrel Redman. Res. Florida, O. *Children:*  
 John W., b. Oct. 15, 1901.  
 Edith M., b. May 5, 1903.  
 Carl, b. Sept. 19, 1904.  
 Melvin, b. Aug. 24, 1906.  
 Stewart B., b. Feb. 23, 1884. Res. Defiance, O.  
 Nellie E., b. Aug. 14, 1886.  
 Harry A., b. Aug. 21, 1890.  
 Katie C., b. Aug. 12, 1896.  
 Alma S., b. Apr. 6, 1852; d. Dec. 17, 1886; m. Nov. 25, 1875, Alfred Stevenson. *Children:*  
 Estella, b. Nov. 11, 1876.  
 Darwin E., b. Oct. 23, 1878.  
 Adelia M., b. Apr. 4, 1859; d. Aug. 4, 1859.

*Children by second marriage:*

George A., b. Apr. 28, 1862; m. Dec. 10, 1892, Clara Adams, who d. July 7, 1893. Res. Edmond, Okla.  
 Lura D., b. Mar. 27, 1868; d. Oct. 7, 1894.  
 Laura M., b. Dec. 5, 1874; d. Aug. 12, 1894.

17 Hiram Gaylord, b. Apr. 8, 1827, Stow, O.; m. Apr. 2, 1862, Cuyahoga Falls, O., Irene P. Turner, b. Feb. 3, 1837, Northampton, O., dau. of John Turner (major in War of 1812), and Cornelia Wadsworth of Hartford, Conn. Farmer, Rep., Meth.; d. June 24, 1892, on the old farm now in limits of Cuyahoga Falls. Widow res. with daughter in Lancaster, N. Y.

*Children:*

- Lulu Irene, b. Feb. 3, 1863; m. Apr. 2, 1896, Charles Storrs Chamberlain, b. Jan. 22, 1862, Madanapalla, India, son of Rev. Jacob Chamberlain and Charlotte Berge; grad. 1893, Rutgers; electrical engineer, Presb., Delta Upsilon; res. Lancaster, N. Y.
- Ezra Hiram, b. June 10, 1864; d. Nov. 3, 1892.
- Lillian Chloe, b. Sept. 30, 1878; d. Aug. 7, 1879.

18 Harriette<sup>9</sup> Gaylord, b. Dec. 13, 1830; m. Nov. 21, 1850, Alexander T. Housel, who d. Aug. 8, 1852; m. (2) Feb. 22, 1862, Henry Gregg, who d. Feb. 22, 1887. She d. Aug. 5, 1895, Marion, Ind.

*Children by first marriage:*

- 21 Herbert Housel, b. Feb. 20, 1853.

*Child by second marriage:*

- Mary, b. Jan. 8, 1869; m. Sept. 20, 1888, Clinton Dinius, who d. Aug. 4, 1897. Widow res. Marion, Ind. *Children:*  
Helen Louise, b. Nov. 14, 1889.  
Gregg, b. Mar. 24, 1891.

19 Mary Burt<sup>9</sup> Gaylord, b. June 29, 1838; m. June 21, 1857, Hugh Kilpatrick, who d. Mar. 2, 1865.

*Children:*

- Adelaide, b. May 10, 1858; m. Nov. 28, 1878, Dr. S. Koontz. Res. Roanoke, Ind. *Children:*  
Jessie, b. Sept. 9, 1879. Res. Roanoke, Ind.  
Chaffee, b. Sept. 19, 1882. Res. Roanoke, Ind.  
Alden, b. Nov. 21, 1884; d. Feb. 25, 1885.  
Hugh, b. Mar. 17, 1886; d. Sept. 6, 1895.  
Arthur, b. Aug. 9, 1862; d. Apr. 9, 1865.  
Henry T., b. July 31, 1863; m. Oct. 24, 1884, Annie Berry, dau. of John Berry and Mary Smith; res. St. Louis, Mo.

20 Martha Thomas<sup>9</sup> Gaylord, b. Jan. 14, 1845; m. Feb. 27, 1868, John Richard Bailey, b. Sept. 22, 1840, son of Sherman Bailey and Susan Shattuck, descended from John Balie, who settled, 1662, in Haddam, Conn. Served in Co. G, 42d Reg. O. V. Inf., commanded by Col. James A. Garfield, afterwards President of the U. S. Res. Cleveland, O.

*Children:*

- 22 Theodore Orson, b. Dec. 11, 1868.  
 Sophie Elizabeth, b. Oct. 31, 1870; d. Aug. 11, 1887.  
 Harriet Antoinette, b. Jan. 8, 1873; m. Feb. 24, 1903, C. A.  
 Rice. Res. Cleveland. *Children:*  
 Lois Madge, b. July 21, 1905; d. June 30, 1906.  
 Jean Augusta, b. Sept. 20, 1907.  
 Lois Irene, b. Jan. 24, 1876.  
 Gaylord Burdette, b. May 22, 1882; m. Dec. 26, 1904, Mabel  
 Moore. Res. Mantua, O. *Child:*  
 Cecil Moore, b. May 1, 1906.  
 John Sherman, b. Sept. 2, 1884. Res. Los Angeles, Cal.

21 Herbert<sup>10</sup> Housel, b. Feb. 20, 1853; m. July 4, 1878, Mary  
 J. Trout, dau. of Zadoc W. Trout and Mary E. Welch. Res.  
 Noblesville, Ind.

*Children:*

- Gertrude<sup>11</sup> M., b. July 12, 1879; m. Oct. 22, 1901, Allen H.  
 Davis, son of Milton B. Davis and Eliza A. Ridge. Res.  
 Marion, Ind. *Child:*  
 Ruth<sup>12</sup>, b. July 22, 1903.  
 Harry H., b. July 17, 1881.  
 Madge, b. Nov. 6, 1882.

22 Theodore Orson<sup>10</sup> Bailey, b. Dec. 11, 1868, Monroe Falls, O.;  
 m. Aug. 20, 1895, Cleveland, O., Clara Miller, b. Aug. 18, 1877,  
 Cleveland, O., dau. of George J. Miller and Louise Zeigelmeir.  
 U. S. letter carrier, Western Reserve Chapter, S. A. R., Lookout  
 Camp, S. of V., F. & A. M. Mrs. Bailey is mem. Aux. Spanish  
 War Vet., and was Sec'y-Gen, 1903-4; res. Cleveland, O.





THE HOME OF DR. TIMOTHY JONES GRIMMERY  
(See page 576.)

Octob<sup>r</sup> 3<sup>rd</sup> May M<sup>o</sup> 1753 This Day  
 I was Married At Newhampden  
 to Mrs Deborah Jones —

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1754 July 7<sup>th</sup> Isaac born between Sun even

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1758 April 18<sup>th</sup> Susie Ann born  
 in the Evening

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1760 March the 2<sup>th</sup> Susie born in  
 the Evening

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1762 March 30<sup>th</sup> Susie Ann departed  
 this Life in the Morning in the  
 5<sup>th</sup> year of her Age

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1764 July 1<sup>st</sup> Susie departed this Life  
 in the Morning in the 5<sup>th</sup> year  
 of her Age

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1764 Aug 18<sup>th</sup> My Love and Loving  
 wife departed this Life in the  
 34 years of her Age and left  
 Me with a bleeding Heart

FAMILY RECORD MADE BY SAMUEL<sup>4</sup> GRIDLEY  
 (See page 569)

## THE GRIDLEY FAMILY.

Thomas<sup>1</sup> Gridley was one of the one hundred and twenty-seven landholders in Hartford in 1639; m. Sept. 29, 1644, Mary Seymour, dau. of Richard Seymour. He served in the 1637 Pequot War. He was a blacksmith and d. about 1655.

Thomas<sup>2</sup> Gridley, b. 1650, Hartford, Conn.; m. Dec. 25, 1673, Elizabeth Clark. Rem. to Farmington, where he d. 1742; she d. 1696. Of their ten children the fifth was

Lieut. Samuel<sup>3</sup> Gridley, b. Mar., 1686; m. (1) Aug. 22, 1723, Abigail Hough, who d. Jan. 3, 1725; m. (2) Dec. 12, 1727, Rebecca Chamberlain, d. 1772. He was 2d Lieut., 1st Reg. Conn. forces in French-Indian War, 1759. He resided in Kensington Society of Farmington, where he "d. 1772, aged 84," wrote his grandson.

Samuel<sup>4</sup> Gridley, b. 1724; m. (1) Oct. 3, 1753, Deborah Jones, b. 1730, New Haven, dau. of Timothy Jones, prominently connected with Yale, and who d. 1780, aged eighty-five. She d. Aug. 18, 1764, Kensington. He rem. to Salisbury, Conn., where he d. 1804. His record is given in his own handwriting:

Isaac<sup>5</sup> Gridley, b. July 7, 1754, Kensington Society of Farmington, was largely prepared for college in New Haven while in the family of his grandfather, Timothy Jones, who was a very prosperous merchant, and in the family of the Rev. Frederick W. Hotchkiss of Saybrook, who had married his aunt Jones. Timothy Jones had m. the dau. of John and Susanna Harris of Middletown and was the son of Isaac Jones and Deborah Clark.

Isaac Gridley was the roommate of Nathan Hale in Yale and was in a small boat with him when a storm came up. When there was danger Hale said, "I will never be drowned, I am to be hung," as he pointed to a wart on his neck. Mr. Gridley came to the Upper Houses as a teacher and lived a long life here. He purchased the Riley homestead, including the house built by Joseph, son of Nathaniel. The two daughters of Nathaniel were privileged by the contract to occupy the old Riley house and both did so till their deaths at the age of one hundred years. Mr. Gridley dealt largely in real estate and as justice of the peace he was for more than a generation the writer of, and witness to, deeds. He never

left off wearing short clothes, and till the time of his death he was a noted figure on the streets. As a tything man he would go into the street on Sunday to stop a traveller, but instead of arresting him would invite him to spend the night as his guest. He was considered "the gentleman" of the community. His account books show his methodical methods and his moderate charges, many an item being six and one-fourth cents for a signature. He left a will in which he stated he had expended \$4,000 in the education of his only son. He married Sept. 26, 1784, Elizabeth<sup>5</sup> Smith, dau. of Capt. John<sup>4</sup> Smith. His arm-chair is in the possession of Mrs. C. Collard Adams, a descendant. He d. Nov. 18, 1836. The widow was blind for eight years, being cared for for some years in the old homestead by her widowed daughter, Elizabeth (Gridley) L'Hommedieu. She d. Aug. 27, 1851.

*Children:*

- Elizabeth<sup>6</sup>, b. June 6, 1785; m. Joseph L'Hommedieu, who d. Jan. 25, 1834, aged 54.
- Timothy Jones, b. Nov. 11, 1788; grad. Yale, settled in Amherst, Mass.; m. dau. of Gen. Mattoon of Rev. fame. Was an eminent physician and surgeon.
- Fanny, b. Dec. 15, 1790; m. Thomas Childs; rem. to Rochester, N. Y.
- Maria, b. Oct. 6, 1793; m. Jesse Savage (Josiah, Jr.); rem. to Hartford; successful merchant, prominent Baptist; her daughter Cornelia Savage, m. Jotham Chase, gave \$150,000 to various Baptist objects, including \$500 to Cromwell Bapt. ch., and \$500 to care for the Savage and Gridley lots in the old cemetery at Cromwell.
- Martha, b. Dec. 12, 1799; m. Dr. Daniel McGregor; rem. to Rochester, N. Y.
- Louisa, b. Feb. 12, 1803; m. Rev. John Smith; rem. to Stamford, Conn.

Elizabeth<sup>6</sup> Gridley (dau. of Isaac), b. June 6, 1785; m. May 20, 1804, Joseph L'Hommedieu, b. Dec. 30, 1780; d. Jan. 24, 1834, of an injury, son of Grover of Norwich, Conn., a descendant of the celebrated Huguenot family, which early settled on Long Island. She d. June 4, 1869.

*Children:*

- Elizabeth, b. Feb. 16, 1805; m. Aug. 22, 1829, James Ranney. (See the Ranney Family.)
- Julia Maria, b. Aug. 16, 1807; d. Aug. 12, 1887; m. Charles Adams, of Amherst, Mass.

Isaac, b. Aug. 1, 1812; d. 1884; m. Martha Coe; rem. to Hudson, O.

Fanny Childs, b. Sept. 7, 1814; d. unm. June 5, 1859.

Giles Gordon, b. June 26, 1816; m. Julia Bill; rem. to Cuyahoga Falls, O., where widow resides.

Joshua, b. Mar. 16, 1822; m. Julia Pease; rem. to Cuyahoga Falls, O., where widow resides.

Mary Ann, b. Sept. 2, 1824; d. Aug. 26, 1825.

## THE HALL FAMILY

1 John<sup>1</sup> Hall, born in Co. Kent, England, had married Esther \_\_\_\_\_, who died in England. He was described in the Roxbury church records, 1638, as "Mr." and when he reached Hartford he was known as "John Hall, Senior," because the John Hall who had accompanied Mr. Oldham in his 1633 excursion to Windsor, was younger. This John Hall rem. from Hartford to New Haven and then to Wallingford. Mr. James Shepard of New Britain, in his pamphlet, has clearly distinguished between the two Johns who resided at the same time, though only for a few years, in Hartford.

The deed of William Bloomfield to John Hall, Senior, October 12, 1642, and never recorded, descended from John Hall, Sr., through his son Samuel of the Upper Houses, to his descendant, Mr. David A. Hall of Portland, Conn., who kindly furnished it for reproduction in this volume. It is in the handwriting of Deacon William Andrews, then schoolmaster in Hartford. It has been rendered into plain English by Mr. James Shepard and reads as follows:

### WILLIAM BLOOMFIELD TO JOHN HALLE SENIOR

October 12, 1642

This Indenture made the twelfth day of the eighth month one thousand six hundred forty & twoe between William Bloomfield of Hartford, Taylor within the iursdiction of Conectecot upon the river on the one part & John Halle Senior of the same town & iurisdiction, Carpenter, on the other part, witnesseth that the sayde William Bloomfield hath bargayned & sould unto the aforesayde John Hall about three roods or an acre of grounds of his home lotte, the north side of it abutting upon the high way next the river, the south side of it upon the ground of Joseph Migat, the west side upon the grounds of the aforesaid John Halle the elder & John Wilcocke & the east side of it upon the ground of the aforesayde William Bloomfield, to have & to hold the grounds aforesayde to him & his heirs forever. And the aforesayde John Halle for himself Executors Administrators & Assigns doth covenant and remise to & with the aforesayde William Bloomfield his Executors Administrators & Assigns that he the aforesayde John Hall his Executors Administrators & Assigns shall make & mayntaine a sufficient fence between the said Wil-

liam Bloomfield & himself from the highway northward to the fence of Joseph Migat southward and also to mayntaine eight or nine rods of fencing more between the aforesayde Joseph Migat & himself. And the aforesayde John Hall doth further covenant & remise to & with the aforesayde William Bloomfield to frame & set up for the aforesayde William Bloomfield one barne twenty foote long & fourteen foote wide the st-d to be ten foote high between the ground sill & the reising, at or before the fifteenth day of the first month next ensuing the day of the date hereof. And the sayde John Halle for himself his heirs Executors Administrators & Assigns doth further covenant & remise to and with the aforesayde William Bloomfield his heirs Executors Administrators & Assigns to grant unto him or some of them, one cove calf at or before the fifteenth day of November next or thirty shillings, wch of them, the aforesayde William Bloomfield, shall best like of within three months after he shall refuse the sayde calfe. In witness to the truth hereof the parties abovesayde interchangeably have put to their hands & seals, the day & year above written.

WILLIAM BLOOMFIELD.

Sealed & delivered  
in the presence of us  
Willm Andrewes  
Abigail Andrewes  
John Andrewes

He was surveyor of highways in Hartford in 1650, in which year he removed with his children to Middletown. He died May 26, 1673, in the 89th year of his age. In his will, dated May 14, 1672, he says he is 89 years old and that it was the fortieth year of his being in New England. In 1659 he was appointed by the General Court for "the entry and recording of such goods as may be subject to custom." His sons were John, Samuel and Richard. John m. (1) Ann Wilcox, dau. of John<sup>1</sup> Wilcox, who d. July 20, 1673, in her fiftieth year; m. (2) Mary (Curtice) Hubbard, widow of Thomas Hubbard of Upper Houses, who d. June 29, 1709. He was one of the first three deacons elected in 1670, town recorder from 1659 to 1691. He d. Jan. 22, 1695. His gravestone bears only capital letters and the inscription reads:

HERE LIES OVR DEACON HALL  
WHO STVDIED PEACE WITH ALL  
VOID OF MALIGNANT STRIFE  
VPRIGHT AND JVST HIS LIFE  
GONE TO HIS REST LEFT VS IN SORROW  
DOVBTLESS HIS GOOD NAME WILL FOLLOW

2 Samuel<sup>2</sup> Hall, b. abt. 1626, England, resided for a few years in lower Middletown. In 1657 he purchased of John<sup>2</sup> Wilcox the Joseph Smith and Matthias Treat homesteads in Upper Houses and resided thereon until his death in 1690. He m. 1662, Elizabeth Cooke, dau. of Thomas and Elizabeth of Guilford. Thomas Cooke had come with the Whitfield Company. The widow rem. to Guilford to reside with her son, Deacon Thomas, who d. Feb. 11, 1753, aged 82, having married for his third wife and her second husband Rachel<sup>2</sup> Savage Spinning, dau. of John<sup>1</sup> Savage.

3 Samuel<sup>3</sup> Hall, b. Feb. 24, 1663-4, Upper Houses; m. (1) Jan. 8, 1690-1, Sarah Hinsdale, b. abt. 1670, dau. of Barnabas Hinsdale (Robert<sup>1</sup>) and Sarah<sup>2</sup> White (Elder John<sup>1</sup>). (See Hinsdale Genealogy.) She d. between 1716 and 1722. He m. (2) May 16, 1722, Elizabeth Stocking, widow of George<sup>3</sup> Stocking (Samuel<sup>2</sup>, George<sup>1</sup>), who b. 1674; d. 1737. He d. Mar. 6, 1739. In 1709-10 he sold his homestead, inherited from his father, and removed to the east side of the Connecticut River, where many others went from the Upper Houses. But when the church in the Upper Houses was organized, Jan. 5, 1715, he became a deacon, and remained such until the church was organized on the east side (East Middletown), of which he was the first deacon. The earliest record of a "Society" meeting in East Middletown, Mar. 2, 1710-11, was kept by Samuel Hall and shows that the first matter to be considered was the erection of a meeting house. He was elected "first clerk" in 1714. He was on the committee to procure a minister. The church edifice was built adjoining his homestead. The church was organized in 1721. He was publicly ordained a deacon Jan. 17, 1724-25. All his children by his first wife were born in the Upper Houses. The only child by his second marriage was born in East Middletown. When all the tombstones were removed from the original cemetery, Mr. David A. Hall had these placed in his own lot in Trinity Churchyard. He d. Mar. 6, 1740. She d. Sept. 2, 1737.

*Children by 1st marriage:*

Sarah, b. May 16, 1692; d. Dec. 16, 1712.

Elizabeth, b. Aug. 26, 1694; m. Steven Stocking; dau.

Sarah, b. Jan. 24, 1728; m. Apr. 14, 1746, Deacon David Sage.

Samuel, b. Mar. 28, 1697; d. "Feb. the 22 1712-13, in the 16 year of his age. The first person laid in this yard." So reads the inscription on his tombstone.

4 John, b. Aug. 19, 1699.



Mercy, b. Nov. 13, 1704; d. Nov. 10, 1712.

Thomas, b. Oct. 15, 1707; m. Margaret Hurlbut (Ebenezer), son Samuel, b. Sept. 25, 1742; rem. to East Haddam; d. 1827.

Isaac, b. May 2, 1709.

*Child by 2d marriage:*

5 Samuel, b. Aug. 15, 1724.

4 John<sup>4</sup> Hall, b. Aug. 19, 1699, Upper Houses; d. Jan. 3, 1767; m. (1) July 19, 1722, Mercy<sup>3</sup> Ranney (John<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>), b. Dec. 28, 1695, Upper Houses; d. Oct. 1, 1762.

*Children:*

6 John, b. June 1, 1723.

Hannah, b. Apr. 30, 1726.

Marcy, b. Sept. 19, 1728.

Gideon, b. Mar. 30, 1734.

Mary, b. Feb. 28, 1736-7. See (3) John Ranney.

5 Samuel<sup>4</sup> Hall, b. Aug. 15, 1724, East Middletown; d. Apr. 21, 1811; m. Feb. 20, 1746, Elizabeth Wilcox, b. 1726; d. Jan. 5, 1799. He owned the covenant Jan. 11, 1747, was captain of militia, deacon of the church, and otherwise prominent.

*Children:*

Elizabeth, bapt. Feb. 1, 1747.

Samuel, bapt. Mar. 5, 1748. A Samuel Hall marched, Apr. 21, 1775, under Capt. Silas Dunham; was gone 5 days.

Esther, bapt. Jan. 9, 1751; m. George<sup>5</sup> Ranney (see the Ranney Family).

Rachel, bapt. July 29, 1753; m. Francis<sup>5</sup> Ranney (see the Ranney Family).

7 David, bapt. Dec. 13, 1755.

Grace, bapt. Apr. 18, 1766; m. George Shepard.

Hannah, bapt. May 22, 1768.

6 John<sup>5</sup> Hall, b. June 1, 1723, East Middletown; d. Aug. 23, 1754; m. Mar. 7, 1745, Abigail Shepard, b. Oct. 23, 1726, East Middletown; d. Oct. 9, 1762, dau. of John Shepard and Sarah Clarke (see the Shepard Family).

*Child:*

8 Joel, b. Apr. 5, 1753.

7 David<sup>5</sup> Hall, b. Dec. 5, 1755; d. Nov. 29, 1815; m. Feb. 10, 1785, Lucia Fowler, b. Nov. 6, 1753, Guilford; d. July 29, 1820. He was a farmer. In battle of Long Island, Aug. 27, 1776. The next year he paid the town treasurer for exemption from service. They had nine children of which

*Children:*

David Fowler, b. Aug. 27, 1797; was in business in New York, but ret. to Portland, Conn., where he d. unm., Nov. 15, 1885, leaving a large estate.

Henry Augustus, b. Sept. 25, 1808, Chatham; d. July, 1876; m. Amelia Maria Shepard, d. 1887, aged 78 years, dau. of George Shepard and Grace Hall. He res. in Middletown where he conducted a meat business, but ret. to Portland. Extensive owner of real estate.

*Epis. Children:*

Charles H., d. unm., Middletown.

Sarah Maria, b. 1837; d. unm., 1857.

Josephine, m. Thomas H. Clark; res. Port Chester, New York.

George L., res. New Haven, Conn.

Mary Elizabeth, m. Ira Haskins; res. Springfield, Mass.

David Augustus, b. Apr. 15, 1844, Middletown; attended the high school and later was a pupil in the celebrated school of Professor Chase. He afterwards made his home in Portland with his uncle, David Fowler Hall, and Miss Lucia Hall, on the old homestead, and as long as they lived he cared for the farm and looked after their business interests. Is now engaged in caring for his own extensive properties. Member of St. John's Lodge, F. & A. M., of Middletown. While in sympathy with the Republican party, he has his own views, and has tastes that lead him to prefer a quiet life. Res. Portland, Conn.

8 Joel<sup>6</sup> Hall, b. Apr. 5, 1753, East Middletown; d. May 25, 1818; m. May 29, 1774, Hannah<sup>5</sup> Ranney, b. May 9, 1755; d. Aug. 22, 1817; dau. of George<sup>4</sup> Ranney and Hannah<sup>4</sup> Sage (see the Ranney Family). He and Nathaniel Shaler succeeded to Thomas Johnson in the quarry business, which in after years often brought an annual dividend of 90 per cent. The *Middletown Gazette* or *Federal Advertiser*, published in Middletown, Oct. 13, 1781, contained the following advertisement:



*David A. Hall.*

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## THE FREE STONE QUARRY AT CHATHAM

known by the name of Johnson's Quarry, is now worked under the direction of Shaler and Hall, who will supply the stone at the Shortest Notice, and at the lowest prices, either in the Rough or finish, and in such Dimensions as may be required. They will contract to furnish any quantity, for public or private Buildings, Flags, Grave Stones, or Monuments, and deliver them at any Port in North America. Orders directed (postpaid) to Shaler and Hall at the Quarry, Chatham, will have due attention.

October 13th, 1781.

This Johnson had rem. from the Upper Houses, and was the grandson of the Thomas Johnson who in 1737 had cut from this quarry for £300 in goods the stone for the Boston mansion of Thomas and Lydia Hancock. The four sons named below were very prominent citizens of the town and engaged in the quarry business.

*Children:*

- Joel, b. Jan. 10, 1776.  
 9 Samuel, b. Nov. 20, 1777.  
 Abigail, b. Jan. 10, 1780; m. John Colby.  
 Esther, b. Mar. 18, 1786; m. Robert Patten. She gave a bell to the Episcopal Church.  
 10 Jesse, b. June 28, 1787.  
 Joseph, b. Aug. 21, 1789.  
 Hannah, b. Aug. 14, 1791; m. John Payne.  
 9 Samuel<sup>7</sup> Hall, b. Nov. 20, 1777; d. Oct. 6, 1849; m. Oct. 6, 1798, Ruth Bates, b. May 13, 1780; d. Sept. 4, 1851; dau. of David Bates and Ruth Cheney.

*Children:*

- Alfred, b. Dec. 23, 1799; d. May 19, 1803.  
 Almira, b. Jan. 10, 1802; m. Timothy Edwards.  
 Hannah, b. Oct. 29, 1803; m. Manton Ransom.  
 Fanny, b. Sept. 13, 1805; m. Jan. 20, 1825, James Wells<sup>7</sup>  
 White, b. Apr. 27, 1802 (David<sup>6</sup>, Ebenezer<sup>5</sup>, Joseph<sup>4</sup>,  
 Daniel<sup>3</sup>, Nathaniel<sup>2</sup>, John<sup>1</sup>).  
 Ruth, b. July 14, 1807; m. Selden Johnson.  
 11 Alfred, b. Nov. 15, 1809.  
 Abigail, b. Apr. 16, 1812; d. Dec. 3, 1825.  
 Samuel Nelson, b. Jan. 24, 1820.

Jane, b. Feb. 2, 1822; d. Feb. 22, 1879; m. William Gray.  
Ellen Mary, b. Sept., 1824; d. June 15, 1835.

10 Jesse<sup>7</sup> Hall, b. June 28, 1787; d. July 21, 1836; m. (1) June 4, 1808, Harriet Cheney, b. July 31, 1787; d. May 24, 1827; dau. of Capt. Daniel Cheney and Julia<sup>5</sup> Cornwall (Elisha<sup>4</sup>, Samuel<sup>3</sup>, Samuel<sup>2</sup>, William<sup>1</sup>); m. (2) Feb. 2, 1830, Emma Ransom, b. Jan. 2, 1797; d. July 31, 1885; dau. of Amos Ransom and Jemima McCarthy.

*Children by 1st marriage:*

Charles Cheney, b. Apr. 4, 1809; d. June 4, 1826.

Edwin, b. June 11, 1810; d. Dec., 1842; m. Jan. 1, 1834, Rachel Smith of Chatham.

Henry, b. Apr. 18, 1812; d. July 16, 1856; m. June 2, 1834, Harriet M., dau. of Col. James Ward of Hartford.

Joel, b. Mar. 15, 1814; d. Jan. 19, 1850; m. Dec. 24, 1836, Eliza Ann<sup>7</sup> Stocking, b. Apr. 15, 1811 (David<sup>6</sup>, Steven<sup>5</sup>, Steven<sup>4</sup>, George<sup>3</sup>, Samuel<sup>2</sup>, George<sup>1</sup>). *Children:*

Jesse, who had sons J. Stewart and Stephen.

Joel, d. unm.

Eliza, m. Rev. Douglas C. Peabody; she d. 1876; two children.

Elizabeth, m. William Morgan of Hartford.

Julia Cornwall, b. — 25, 1816; d. Oct. 25, 1848; m. Sept. 11, 1838, Rev. William Bliss Ashley.

Harriet, b. Jan. 22, 1820; d. Apr. 19, 1883; m. (1) Nov. 10, 1841, Luther H. Perkins of Hartford; m. (2) Charles S. Mason of Hartford.

Eliza, b. June 27, 1823; d. Sept. 26, 1885; m. Dec. 10, 1845, Charles Henry Sage; son is John Hall Sage of Portland (see the Sage Family).

*Children by 2d marriage:*

Emma Ransom, b. Feb. 8, 1834; m. Oct. 1, 1857, Rev. Jared Starr, rector of Episcopal Church, Newington, Conn.

Elizabeth, b. June 26, 1836; m. Sept. 21, 1859, John S. Jarvis. Res. Hartford, Conn.

11 Alfred<sup>8</sup> Hall, b. Nov. 15, 1809, Chatham; m. Sept. 10, 1833, Maria Lydia Whiting, dau. of Seth Whiting and Maria Ransom, and granddaughter of Amos Ransom, a Revolutionary soldier. He entered Washington, now Trinity College, Hartford, on the first day the bell rang for prayers, and his eldest son,

Samuel, was the first son of a graduate to enter the same college. He grad. at Harvard Law School, but decided to become interested in the quarry business and succeeded his father to the presidency of the company. His long career in this business ended only with his death, Sept. 11, 1873.

*Children:*

- Samuel, b. Oct. 14, 1834; d. Aug. 28, 1888; grad. Trinity Coll, Episcopal clergyman.  
 Alfred Gordon, b. Feb. 6, 1837; d. Sept. 15, 1867; served four years; was lieutenant colonel.  
 Maria Whiting, b. July 3, 1839; d. Mar. 13, 1844.  
 Jane Whiting, b. Aug. 1, 1841; d. Mar. 21, 1844.  
 James Philip, b. May 18, 1844; m. June 1, 1876, Isabel Harrison, who d. Jan. 14, 1881. Res. Hartford, Conn.

*Children:*

- Anna Geraldine, m. Walter Spencer Brown; res. Hartford, Conn.  
 Henry Harrison, b. July 10, 1878; enlisted in First Conn. Vols., in Spanish War, and is an officer in 23d Reg. Inf., U. S. A.  
 Mary Ellen, b. Dec. 29, 1846; m. Nov. 8, 1871, Hon. Oliver Gildersleeve, b. Mar. 6, 1844, Portland, son of Henry Gildersleeve and Emily F. Northam. Mr. Gildersleeve is one of the famous firm of Gildersleeve ship-builders which began in Chatham, now Portland, under his great-great-grandfather, Obadiah Gildersleeve, who rem. in 1776 from Sag Harbor, Long Island, to Chatham and established a shipyard near the one now in existence. The family have been great benefactors of Trinity Church. He is also interested in many shipping and mining interests. Res. Gildersleeve (Portland), Conn. *Children:*

- Alfred Hall, b. Aug. 23, 1872.  
 Walter, b. Aug. 23, 1874.  
 Louis, b. Sept. 22, 1877.  
 Emily Hall, b. June 9, 1879; d. Aug. 12, 1880.  
 Elizabeth Jarvis, b. June 6, 1882; d. Jan. 18, 1883.  
 Charles, b. Dec. 11, 1884.  
 Nelson Hall, b. Sept. 14, 1887, student at Trinity College.  
 Oliver, b. Mar. 8, 1890; student at Middletown High School.  
 John Henry Hall, b. Mar. 24, 1849; d. June 25, 1902; m. Feb. 9, 1870, Sarah G. Loines, eminently successful in

business in Portland and Hartford, being president of the Colt's Patent Fire Arms Manufacturing Company. His widow has erected to his memory a very costly Parish House for Trinity Epis. Ch. in Portland, Conn.

*Children:*

Clarence Loines, res. Hartford, Conn.

Grace Loines, m. John C. Wilson. Res. Portland, Conn.

Alice Elizabeth, b. Nov. 6, 1851; d. July 11, 1882; m. Fred E. Gladwin. Res. Portland, Conn.



## THE HUBBARD FAMILY.

George<sup>1</sup> Hubbard was of Hartford and Middletown. Dau. Mary m. Thomas<sup>1</sup> Ranney.

Daniel<sup>2</sup> Hubbard, bapt. Dec. 7, 1645, Hartford, Conn.; m. (1) Feb. 24, 1670, Mary Clark, dau. of William of Haddam and sister of John of Upper Houses, who d. Dec. 24, 1675; m. (2) Sarah Cornwell, b. Oct., 1647, dau. of Serg. William Cornwell of Middletown.

Daniel<sup>3</sup> Hubbard, b. Dec. 16, 1673, Hartford; rem. to Haddam, and m. (1) Dec. 8, 1697, Susanna Bailey; m. (2) Bathsheba ———. He was considered wealthy for that time. He d. Nov. 24, 1758.

Jeremiah<sup>4</sup> Hubbard, b. Feb. 1, 1716; d. Nov. 30, 1803; m. (1) Nov. 11, 1736, Alice Shailer, b. Mar. 11, 1713; d. Dec. 2, 1760, dau. of Capt. Thomas and Katherine Shailer.

Jeremiah<sup>5</sup> Hubbard, b. Jan. 29, 1746; m. (1) Feb. 25, 1762, Mary Wellman; m. (2) Feb. 11, 1768, Flora Hazelton, b. Nov. 16, 1747, dau. of James Hazelton and Hannah his wife, who were m. Jan. 22, 1747. James Hazelton, b. Oct. 16, 1723, was son of James Hazelton and Susanna (Arnold?), who were m. Nov. 9, 1720.

Jeremiah<sup>6</sup> Hubbard served in the Rev. War from Haddam and rem. 1794, to Upper Houses, where he d. 1807.

### *Children:*

Rufus, b. Nov. 27, 1768.

Jeremiah, b. Nov. 16, 1770; d. July 4, 1790, Haddam.

Alice, b. Mar. 20, 1776.

Susan, b. Aug. 28, 1778.

Flora, b. Feb. 6, 1783.

Catherine, b. Apr. 15, 1785.

Asa, b. Apr. 28, 1788.

Bathsheba, b. Apr. 28, 1788; m. Joseph Beaumont. *Children:*

Edmund. (See White Family.)

John, b. ———.

Flora A.; m. Sylvester Griswold, son of R. S.; res. in Cromwell; prominent in Cong. Church.

## THE HULBURT FAMILY.

Thomas<sup>1</sup> Hulburt (Hurlibut, Holibert), b. abt. 1610, prob. in Scotland, embarked at London, Aug. 11, 1635, with Capt. Lyon Gardiner, the English engineer employed by Lords Say and Sea, Brooke and others, to erect a fort at Saybrook. He may have been an employe, perhaps a soldier. He was, however, a blacksmith. Was conspicuous for coolness and bravery in the fight with the Indians, 1637, when he was shot through the thigh. (See Mass. Hist. Soc. Coll. III, third series.)

He rem. to Wethersfield, where he was the first established blacksmith, and in 1642, was fined for "encouraging others in taking excessive rate for work and ware." In 1671 he received a grant of 120 acres of land from the General Court for his services in the Indian War, but this was not set off till after his death, and then on petition of his grandson John<sup>3</sup> of Middletown.

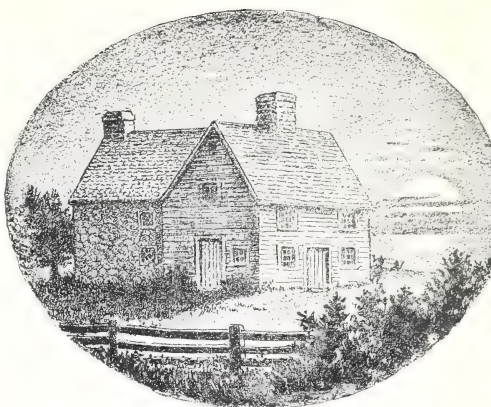
Sergeant John<sup>2</sup> Hulburt (Thomas<sup>1</sup>), was a blacksmith. At age of twenty-seven he entered into contract, Oct. 25, 1669, with the settlers of Middletown to locate there and "do the Town's work of smithing for seven years." He became a large landholder and prominent in Middletown; freeman, 1671; sergeant; m. Dec. 15, 1670, Mary Deming, dau. of John Deming and Honor Treat of Wethersfield. He d. Aug. 30, 1690.

### *Children:*

- Mercy, b. Feb. 17, 1680-1; m. Thomas<sup>3</sup> Hale, b. Sept., 1675, Glastonbury. Their daughter Mary m. George<sup>3</sup> Ranney.  
Margaret, b. Feb., 1684-5; m. Timothy<sup>2</sup> Sage.  
David, b. Aug. 11, 1688, first blacksmith at Upper Houses; rec'd 1711, four acres next south of Joseph<sup>2</sup> Kirby, where Edw. T. Johnson's house stands; rem. 1734, to Middle Haddam.  
Mehitable, b. Nov. 23, 1690; m. 1714, Capt. Daniel<sup>4</sup> White (Daniel<sup>3</sup>, Nathaniel<sup>2</sup>, John<sup>1</sup>).

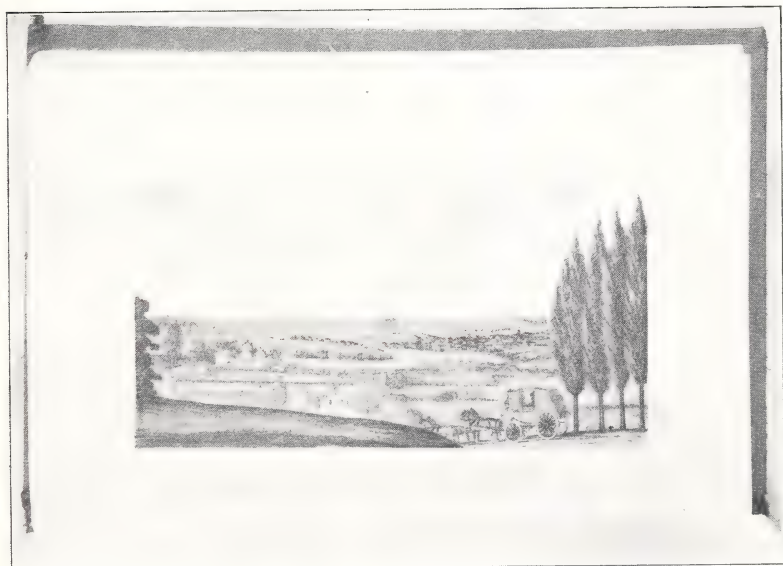


STOUGHTON COAT OF ARMS



STOUGHTON STONE HOUSE 1635

(See page 742)



A VIEW OF MIDDLETOWN FROM PROSPECT HILL, UPPER HOUSES. FROM  
"Barber's Collection," 1835



THE JARED SHEPARD OAK  
(See page 669)



OLD ST. MACHAR CATHEDRAL AND CEMETERY  
(See page 583)

## THE KEITH FAMILY.

FROM RECORDS OF OLD ABERDEEN, VOL. 1, MUNRO

Page 24, Act of the Privy Council in favor of Old Aberdeen, 24 of March, 1690.

Fit persons and well affected to the present government should be nominated and appointed by them to officiate as Magistrates this year until his Majesty signify his pleasure, etc. Among those so appointed were Mr. George Fraser, *Mr. James Keith* and Mr. William Baxter, baillies of the said burgh of Old Aberdeen, Page 54, year 1614. Half the entry money of craftsmen was to go to "Sanct Mather" (St. Machar Cathedral).

Page 183, year 1722, William Rainie was appointed drummer.

The Rev. James Keith, a presbyter of the Episcopal Church in Scotland, according to the history of the said church, was deprived in 1714 of his living in Illon by the action of the Presbyterian presbytery, being a non-juror. He is buried in New Machar Cemetery. This ancient cathedral was partly wrecked by Cromwell and his troops. The cathedral is now a parish church. His tombstone bears this inscription:

*Hic jacet Magister  
Jacobus Keith  
Quondam Verbi Divini  
Minister  
Vir pietate insignis  
Qui diem supremum  
Obiit 3<sup>to</sup> die Maii  
A. D. 1730<sup>mo</sup>  
Aetatis 71<sup>mo</sup> Anno  
Omnes Eodem Cogimus*

The Rev. Alexander Keith, Captain John Keith, Capt. James Keith, Mr. William Keith and another son came to this country, and all were prominent in the Episcopal church.

The Rev. Alexander Keith, b. 1708, Aberdeen, Scotland, was

ordained deacon, Sept. 23, and priest Oct. 21, 1733, by Dr. Gibson, the Bishop of London. He had been educated at King's College, University of Aberdeen, and for ten years officiated in St. Paul's chapel, Aberdeen. In the spring of 1746 he was licensed by the Bishop of London to officiate in St. George's Parish, Georgetown (Winyard), South Carolina. He entered on his duties Sept. 29, 1746, "the parishioners having subscribed 230 stg. in addition to the salary allowed by the government." On Dec. 5, 1749, he was elected to succeed the Rev. Mr. Quincy in St. Philip's Parish, Charleston. He may have returned to St. George's. He removed in 1771 to the home of his brother, Capt. James Keith, Newport, R. I., where he d. Jan. 8, 1772. He had succeeded 1746, in Georgetown, the Rev. Mr. Fayerweather, who in 1772 was rector in Narragansett, R. I., and in whose parish records he made this entry:

"Jan. 9, 1772, received a letter from the Church Wardens of Newport to attend as pall-bearer to the Rev. Mr. Keith, my old friend and once my predecessor in Georgetown, South Carolina. and to preach a funeral sermon on the occasion, which I did the very day after the interment in Trinity church to a full auditory."

In his Literary Diary, the Rev. Dr. Stiles, at that time pastor of the Presbyterian or Congregational church of Newport, gives a list of the pall-bearers, of whom he was one, and a sketch of Mr. Keith and of the funeral. The tablet in Trinity church cemetery contains this inscription:

*Crowned with the Grace of Faith  
 Here rests Alexander Keith  
 In assurance of a future State of perfect Bliss and Glory  
 He was born at Aberdeen Scotland and educated  
 In King's College of that University  
 Episcopally Ordained  
 He officiated in St. Pauls Chapel  
 of that City ten years  
 He afterwards Ministered  
 Twenty five years in the Church  
 of Prince George and S S  
 In the Province of South Carolina  
 He died at Newport  
 In the Sixty fourth year of his Age  
 January 8th 1772.*

The Rev. Mr. Keith, a bachelor, made a will which cannot be found on record in Newport. His brother, Capt. James, was his executor, as appears by the latter's will. His snuff box, made of

a ram's curled horn, like the proverbial pig's tail, had a silver top on which was inscribed:

*The Rev<sup>d</sup> Mr Alexander Keith*  
*May 27 A D 1770*

went into the prominent Lawrence family of Hartford, Conn., and was presented in 1832 to the Connecticut Historical Society. It contains these additional inscriptions:

*R Lawrence 1808*  
*W R Lawrence 1831*

He had as a student kept a common-place book in which he entered in Latin the titles of many text books used by him or needed by theological students. It contains the only clue giving to the compiler of this volume a knowledge of his ancestry, as follows:

“Mr Jacobus Keith, pater meus Aberdonensis, Ecclae Scotae presbyter, vivere inter mortales desiit, 2 Maii, A. D. N. 1729 4to sepultus fuit in Coemeterio Neumacarensi.”

It will be seen that the inscription on the tombstone, kindly furnished by the Rev. Dr. W. R. Bruce, vicar of New Machar, does not altogether agree with the entry made by the son in his common-place book probably when he was a student in the University of Aberdeen. This tombstone has been cared for of late by the compiler of this volume.

Capt. James Keith, “mariner,” as he describes himself in his will dated Aug. 8, 1778, a prosperous resident of Newport, R. I., was recorded among the list of “tories” by Dr. Stiles in his “Literary Diary.” He was very prominent in the affairs of Trinity church, as the history of that church shows, and of which he was elected a vestryman, April 20, 1778. His voluminous will mentions many legatees, among them being his sister's son, the Rev. Alexander Finlay, of South Carolina, Dr. William Keith and his brother James in South Carolina. His executors were to apply for information “to Rev. Alex. Finlay, nephew, minister in So. Carolina and to Mr. James Keith, my relation, of same province.” During the Revolutionary War a James Keith took the oath of allegiance in Middletown, Conn., and it was probably this one, as Capt. James of Newport, in his will, states he was last in Hartford in May, 1775. He writes of “Rev. Mr. Bissett and Rev. Mr. Thurston, my honest good neighbors,” who probably were not “church-

men." He gives freedom to his negro man "Lymus." He gave instructions "Body to be buried in the church yard of Newport, near my late brother's grave." The inscription reads:

*Here rest the Remains  
of  
Mr. James Keith  
Who was born at Aberdeen  
In Scotland,  
And died at Newport,  
August 29th, 1781,  
Aged 71 years.  
Having resided in America  
Upwards of 40 years,  
Preserving through Life  
That noblest of Characters  
An honest Man.  
As he lived much beloved  
He died lamented.*

Capt. John Keith, of Hartford, as early as 1740 commanded a vessel carrying troops to the West Indies. He was a merchant on the north side of State street, the gambrel-roofed wooden building, 178 State street, the only wooden one standing, being the one in which he kept store. He was a member of the committee which purchased a lot for the Episcopal Society and though he died before a church was erected, the present Christ Church stands on the lot originally purchased. He was owner in common with Capt. Philip Mortimer of Middletown, a prominent Episcopalian, of various Middletown properties and in his will gave these interests to "Mr. William Keith of Middletown, whom I have adopted as my son," if he should live to become of age, but if he died while a minor these interests were to be given to the Episcopal Society for a glebe. Capt. John Keith died suddenly in a Congregational church in Hartford and was buried in Capt. Philip Mortimer's tomb. A stone on the outer wall contains this inscription:

*Capt. John Keith  
of Hartford  
O B Feb<sup>y</sup> 1<sup>st</sup> 1775  
Æ 73*

He had married the widow of Capt. John Lawrence, who was the mother of the wife of Mr. William Keith, merchant, of Hartford.



Mrs. John Keith was the daughter of John Beauchamp and died in 1784, aged eighty-eight.

Mr. William Keith, merchant, of Hartford, married in 1738, Marianne, the dau. of Capt. John Lawrence. There were two daughters born to them; Susanna, bapt. 1739; m. 1761, Mr. William Ellery; their daughter Marriana married Henry Seymour, and Gov. Thomas H. Seymour was the child of this marriage. The other daughter Marriane, m. a Hewlet, and both daughters were remembered in the will of their uncle, Capt. John Keith. The widow of Mr. William Keith married the Rev. Mr. Marsh, the first pastor at New Hartford.

Mr. John Lawrence, the distinguished treasurer of the Colony of Connecticut, was a brother of Mrs. Keith and the father of Mr. William Lawrence who married the affianced of Nathan Hale, the Martyr Spy. To her came the powder horn and many other of Nathan Hale's possessions. In a later day the powder horn of Nathan Hale and the snuff box of Rev. Alexander Keith were presented to the Connecticut Historical Society and they are kept together in a glass-covered box, which is in the vault of the Society's rooms.

"Mr. William Keith of Middletown," adopted son of Capt. John Keith of Hartford, was placed as a minor with the distinguished Capt. Philip Mortimer, probably to learn the business of rope making, as he afterward owned a rope walk of his own, which is represented on the 1784 map of Main Street, Middletown. He was undoubtedly the son of the Keith who settled in South Carolina. Capt. Philip Mortimer, being childless, sent to Ireland for his niece, Martha, to become his adopted daughter. Mr. William Keith went to Boston with a coach and four to escort Miss Martha to Middletown.

It was understood that Capt. Mortimer had planned a marriage between Mr. William Keith and his adopted daughter, who had brought with her a maid, Polly Lions Callahan. But on Jan. 10, 1775, Mr. William Keith and Polly Lions Callahan of Cork were married.

They must have removed in after years to the Upper Houses, for they are buried there and a fine monument, the first erected in the old cemetery, contains the records of their deaths. He d. July 6, 1811, aged sixty-two. She d. May 13, 1820, aged seventy-two.

*Children:*

- John, b. Dec. 4, 1775; m. Margaret Ranney. (See the Ranney Family.)
- Polly, b. Mar. 26, 1777; m. Capt. Daniel Butler. (See the Butler Family.)
- Kitty Lions, b. Jan. 20, 1779; m. Capt. Thomas White. (See the White Family.)
- Elizabeth Collins, b. May 22, 1782; m. James Ranney. (See the Ranney Family.)
- William, b. Apr. 28, 1784; m. Harriet White. (See the White Family.)
- Alexander, b. May 2, 1786, a rope maker; m. Martha ———. He d. 1846.



THE ISRAEL KELSEY HOUSE  
(See page 589)



THE HOUSE BUILT BY DANIEL EELLS  
(See page 545)



WATER BOTTLE CARRIED IN TWO WARS BY NATHANIEL RANNEY, FATHER  
AND SON  
(See page 182)



THE HOUSE OF WILLETT RANNEY  
(See page 163)

## THE KELSEY FAMILY.

1 Mark<sup>1</sup> Kelsey (Kilsey, Kellsey), married Rebecca ———. Resided in Wethersfield. Had eight children, of which the sixth was

2 Ezekiel<sup>2</sup> Kelsey, who m. Jan. 13, 1742-3, Sarah<sup>4</sup> Allis (Ellis), b. Oct. 6, 1715, dau. of William<sup>3</sup> Allis (John<sup>2</sup>, William<sup>1</sup>) and Mary Griswold, dau. of Jacob. Their second child was

3 Israel<sup>3</sup> Kelsey, b. Nov. 20, 1745; m. Dec. 29, 1768, Mary Sanborn, bapt. May 10, 1747, dau. of Jedediah Sanborn. He resided in Kensington Society of Wethersfield. He purchased in 1771 the Hugh White estate, in the Northwest School district of Upper Houses, which included a grist mill and thirty acres of land. This section of the town became known as "Kelsey Quarters." He built the brick mansion covered with stucco which still stands and is now owned and occupied by his descendants. In 1802 he gave the land for the cemetery in which Aaron White's burial was the first. He was a captain in the War of 1812. Prominent and ingenious he invented a water-wheel and went to Philadelphia to superintend the erection of one there. Fond of music he composed psalm tunes still in use. His death was on May 16, 1824, and he is buried in the cemetery which he gave to the town. His widow d. Apr. 14, 1827.

### *Children:*

Mary, b. Apr. 2, 1770.

Israel<sup>4</sup>, b. Sept. 5, 1771.

Polly, b. 1773; d. early.

Joseph, b. Apr. 10, 1775; rem. to Hartford.

Jesse, b. 1776; rem. to Berlin.

John, b. Dec. 25, 1778; rem. to Buffalo, N. Y.

Calvin, b. Dec. 28, 1779; purchased the homestead still occupied by his descendants.

Polly, b. June 30, 1782; m. Blair.

4 Israel<sup>4</sup> Kelsey, b. Sept. 5, 1771; m. July 8, 1792, Martha Edwards Stocking, b. Mar. 17, 1771, dau. of Capt. Zebulon Stocking and Martha Edwards. She d. Jan. 29, 1847, he Sept. 1, 1852. He conducted the mill purchased by his father. Nearly all his children were born in the old brick house. They rem. to the village, buying a "White" house near the river.

*Children:*

- 5 Franklin, b. Jan. 10, 1793.  
Beverly, b. 1795.
- 6 Zebulon Stocking, b. Jan. 7, 1796.  
Florilla, b. Aug. —, 1798; d. Dec. 11, 1876.
- 7 Martha Edwards, b. Jan. 28, 1801; m. D. L. Wright.  
Sherman, b. 1803; d. unm., Cuba, 1823.  
Chester, b. 1805. His widow at age of 101 is seen in the  
1904 reunion group in an automobile; d. aged 103.  
Israel, b. Sept. 13, 1807.  
David Stocking, b. 1811; d. Jan. 24, 1870, Galveston, Texas.
- 8 Mary Ann, b. Sept. 13, 1813; m. E. S. Champion.
- 9 Elizur Goodrich, b. 1816.
- 10 William Stocking, b. Oct. 3, 1818.

5 Franklin<sup>5</sup> Kelsey, b. Jan. 11, 1793; d. July 2, 1861; m. Margaret Stewart. He was, like his father, an inventor, but reaping little from his ingenuity except from improvements in mfg. rope. It is claimed that he was the inventor of the vibrating propeller. The first was sunken at Hoboken. He sold out to Ericsson who reaped the benefits. The gold medal he received was sold to obtain money to help carry on his investigations. He invented a flying machine, which did not prove a success. The patents issued to him were: Flax and hemp machine, Nov. 26, 1824; cordage, Feb. 8, 1825; washing machine, Sept. 28, 1827; management of bees, Aug. 26, 1828; door spring, Nov. 27, 1848; vibrating propellers, Nov. 2, 1852. He served at Saybrook in the War of 1812. His only child to reach maturity was Lewis Lafayette<sup>6</sup> Kelsey, b. Nov. 6, 1823; d. Mar. 1, 1872; having married June 25, 1850, Caroline Canfield, b. June 2, 1830; d. July 3, 1906. Their children were:

*Children:*

Margaret Stewart<sup>7</sup>, b. Dec. 7, 1852; m. Nov. 4, 1875, Robert P. Hubbard, b. Mar. 6, 1847; res. Middletown, Conn.

*Children:*

Lewis Kelsey, b. Oct. 10, 1876; d. Feb. 25, 1903, in Senior class at Cornell Uni.  
Alfred, b. Jan. 8, 1878.  
Julia Augusta, b. Aug. 7, 1881.  
Carolyn Kelsey, b. June 7, 1886.  
Franklin Lewis, b. Dec. 22, 1857; m. Dec. 8, 1881, Elizabeth Churchill. Six children. Res. Englewood, N. J.

James Canfield, b. May 4, 1866; d. Jan. 12, 1904; m. May 28, 1894, Carrie A. Weston; res. West Somerville, Mass. *Children:*

James Canfield, b. Oct. 28, 1896.

Marion, b. Sept. 8, 1898.

6 Zebulon Stocking<sup>5</sup> Kelsey, b. Jan. 7, 1796; d. Dec., 1877; m. Nov. 8, 1816, Sally Edwards of Upper Houses. Rem. to Huntington, O. They had nine children. The second was George Ranney Kelsey, b. Apr. 25, 1817; d. Mar. 20, 1887. He ret. to Cromwell and manufactured buckles in the old "Miller" mill on Chestnut brook. He rem. to West Haven, where he built up the great buckle business; built the horse railroad from New Haven to Savin Rock, built the Sea View House, and greatly developed that summer resort.

7 Martha Edwards<sup>5</sup> Kelsey, b. Jan. 28, 1801; d. Oct. 20, 1890, West Haven, Conn.; m. Capt. Doty Lord Wright of Clinton, in the sea coast trade. Brought the first oranges to New York from Florida. Three children lived to adult age.

*Children:*

Virginia, b. Jan. 14, 1823; m. Oct. 27, 1845, George Ranney Kelsey, her cousin. Three children. She d. Sept. 23, 1905.

Gouverneur, b. Mar. 22, 1825, killed Oct. 28, 1843, by a fall on shipboard.

Elizur Lord, b. Dec. 29, 1827; d. Aug. 3, 1864; m. Sarah Treat. (See the Treat Family.) *Child:*

Benjamin Elizur, b. Aug. 3, 1864, C. E.; res. New Haven, Conn.

8 Mary Ann<sup>5</sup> Kelsey, b. Sept. 13, 1813; d. Mar. 4, 1854, Greenport, Long Island, N. Y.; m. Aug. 5, 1847, Elisha Sylvester Champion, b. June 4, 1815, Lynne, Conn.; d. Nov. 15, 1866, Greenport, son of Col. Sylvester Champion and Nancy Chadwick. Lumber merchant.

*Child:*

Henry Alexander, b. Oct. 30, 1848, Clinton, Conn.; m. July 24, 1867, Lyme, Conn., Hepzibah Champion De Wolf, b. June 10, 1845, Lyme, dau. of Winthrop Jeremiah De Wolf and Hepzibah Anderson. Railway mail agent; res. New London, Conn. *Children:*

Mary Kelsey, b. Feb. 18, 1869.

Florence Mabel, b. Sept. 22, 1876.

9 Elizur Goodrich<sup>5</sup> Kelsey, b. 1816; d. Sept., 1872; m. Julia Maria White, b. Jan. 2, 1820; d. 1904.

*Children:*

Florilla Valant, b. Mar. 26, 1838; m. May 2, 1854, Charles L.<sup>6</sup> Sage (Luther W.<sup>5</sup>, Solomon<sup>4</sup>, Solomon<sup>3</sup>, Timothy<sup>2</sup>, David<sup>1</sup>), a veteran of the Civil War. Both buried in Middletown, Conn. Children res. in Hartford, Conn.

Sherman, b. Dec. 12, 1840; d. May 5, 1843.

Henry Israel, b. May 8, 1843; d. 1867 in Florida.

Rosa Estelle, b. Feb. 28, 1846; m. Jan. 16, 1871, Capt. Joseph J. Mahaffy, who d. Jan. 30, 1906, a skilful navigator for many years. Widow res. in New Haven, Conn.

Dora Elizabeth, b. Nov. 12, 1848; m. Oct. 23, 1867, William James Allen, a veteran of Battery D; R. I. Artillery in Civil War, who d. ————. Widow is Matron of the Connecticut Woman's Relief Corps Home for Disabled Veterans and their Wives, also for Widows, located in Cromwell. Of their four children:

Dora May, b. Mar. 26, 1870; m. June 17, 1890, George McClellan Hungerford; res. Bridgeport, Conn.

10 William Stocking<sup>5</sup> Kelsey, b. Oct. 3, 1818, Upper Houses; d. July 29, 1854, Cromwell; m. Aug. 3, 1840, New York City, Elizabeth Grace Teale, b. Eng., dau. of John Crandell Teale; came to the U. S. in 1810, and Grace Elizabeth Popham, who was dau. of Sir Thomas Furzen Popham, who came, 1808, from England to New York City, where he d. in 1834. Mrs. Elizabeth Grace (Teale) Kelsey, now eighty-seven years of age, makes her home in New Haven with her daughters.

*Children:*

11 Martha Elizabeth<sup>6</sup>, b. June 10, 1841; m. Dec. 25, 1860, Wm. A. Waterbury.

12 Cornelia Theresa, b. Mar. 13, 1843; m. Howard Smith.

Henrietta Maria, b. Apr. 10, 1845; d. July 20, 1848.

Davis Lewis, b. Sept. 3, 1847; m. Sept. 3, 1877, Elizabeth Cannon. He d. Feb. 3, 1907. Widow res. Waterbury, Conn.

Maria Lucinda, b. Apr. 22, 1849; m. Dec. 31, 1868, Egbert E. Pardee, Judge in Borough Court; res. West Haven, Conn.

Revilo Hubbard, b. Feb. 5, 1851; m. Oct. 27, 1873, Inez Crawford. Merchant, Middletown, Conn.



Mary Ann, b. Feb. 15, 1853; d. July 28, 1880; m. Frank L. Hubbard, of Meriden.

William Wright, b. Nov. 7, 1854; m. June 5, 1882, New London, Conn., Lillian Dart Rogers. Gen. Agt. steamship lines; res. New Haven, Conn.

11 Martha Elizabeth<sup>6</sup> Kelsey, b. June 10, 1841, Upper Houses; m. Dec. 25, 1860, William A. Waterbury of Stamford, who has been in the railroad business for over forty years and now retired, resides in New Haven, Conn.

*Children:*

Carrie Amelia, b. Oct. 2, 1861; m. Oct. 14, 1884, New Haven, Nelson D. Coe of Winsted; res. New Haven, Conn. *Children:*

Harriet Waterbury, b. Sept. 13, 1885; m. June 8, 1905, Julius E. Brooks. *Child:*

Beverly Coe, b. July 9, 1906.

Frederick Kelsey, b. Dec. 18, 1887.

Frederick Smith, b. Mar. 7, 1865; m. Aug. 10, 1887, Sadie L. Dudley. Physician; res. New Haven, Conn. *Children:*

Frederick William, b. Apr. 15, 1889.

Lois Dudley, b. Jan. 2, 1891.

Lyman Hawley, b. July 26, 1871; d. Sept. 27, 1871.

Harriette Frances, b. Nov. 22, 1875; m. Oct. 17, 1894, Charles E. Burton; res. New Haven, Conn.

12 Cornelia Theresa Kelsey, b. Mar. 13, 1843, Upper Houses, now Cromwell; m. Dec. 31, 1865, West Haven, Conn., Howard Smith, b. ———, West Haven, son of Granville Smith and Abigail Thomas. He is a farmer and rem. Apr. 18, 1868, to Watertown, Conn., where he purchased the "Maple Shade Farm," on which they still reside. He is an enterprising farmer and citizen. Mrs. Smith has taken a deep interest in the Kelsey genealogy, furnishing this chapter. She has erected memorials in Cromwell Cemetery to her ancestors and has greatly interested herself in the work of the Society of Middletown Upper Houses.

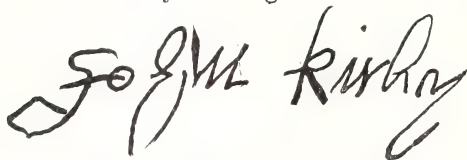
*Child:*

Edwin Elizur, b. July 16, 1867, West Haven; m. Oct. 15, 1891, New Haven, Conn., Grace Hotchkiss Fuller, b. May, 1868, only dau. of Alpheus B. and Emily A. Hotchkiss. He is an ingenious mechanic, mfr. of bee hives and other articles; res. Watertown, Conn.

## THE KIRBY FAMILY \*

The Parish Register of Rowington, County Warwick, England, contains this record under the year 1624: "The 4<sup>th</sup> of January John Kerbe the son of Humphrey Kerbe was baptized."

John<sup>1</sup> Kirby was registered as "Jo Kerbie aged 12 years," on

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "John Kirby". The letters are fluid and connected, with a prominent loop at the end of the name.

the passenger list of the *Hopewell*, Captain Babb, Master, which sailed September 11, 1635, from London, Eng., for New England.

In 1643, he was registered in Plymouth, Mass., as "able to bear arms." It is supposed that Richard Kirby of Sandwich, Mass., and Joseph Kirby of Hartford were his relatives. Before April, 1645, John Kirby had become a resident of Hartford, Conn., for in that year he and Seth Grant contracted to herd the cattle. In 1647 he resided in Wethersfield, Conn., as the town records give the "ear marks" of his cattle. In 1654 he had settled "north of the rivulet," later known as "Middletown Upper Houses," on what is known as Pleasant street in the present village of Cromwell, the Upper Houses having been set apart in 1851 as the town of Cromwell. On this street he lived and died. He was made a freeman by the General Court of Connecticut in May, 1658. He d. Apr., 1677, leaving a will made on April 6th and an estate valued at £551. This will and the inventory are printed in full in "The Kirbys of New England," by the Rev. M. E. Dwight, D. D., to whom the compiler of this chapter is much indebted. He owned twenty-four parcels of land, comprising 1068 acres. The homestead included a house, barn, and two and one half acres, on what is known as Pleasant street in the village of Cromwell. He had sold a part of the original homestead to his son-in-law, David Sage, who resided next south of him. His "nine bibles=3-0-0," are the only books named in his inventory. His wife Elizabeth, it is supposed, was Elizabeth Hinds. She married (?) Abraham Randall of Windsor, Conn., outlived her second husband, and died 1697. She deeded the homestead of two and one-half acres to Samuel<sup>2</sup>

\* This chapter is taken mainly from "The Kirbys of New England."

Stocking, son of the settler. The numbers given here are the same as in the Kirby genealogy.

*Children:*

- Mary<sup>2</sup>, b. 1644, probably in Hartford, Conn.; m. Emanuel Buck.
- Elizabeth, b. Sept. 8, 1646, Hartford, Conn.; m. David Sage. (See the Sage Family.)
- Hannah, b. Mar. 2, 1649, Wethersfield, Conn.; m. (1) Thomas Andrews; m. (2) Alexander Rollo.
- John, b. Dec. 18, 1651, Wethersfield, Conn.; killed by Indians, 1676, on the road between Upper Houses and Wethersfield. The Colonial Records state that an investigation was held by the authorities in August, 1676. Menowniett being examined was asked "who killed the man between Middletown and Wethersfield?" He gave the names of Munch, Cohas, Tosocum, Cawcochoage, and Wewawoas. At a meeting of the Council of War, Sept. 8, 1676, Cohas, who had been captured by friendly Indians and brought in a prisoner, was accused by Menowniett. The Council decreed he should die by the hand of an Indian. "The Marshall's appoynted to see execution done:—which was performed by an Indian."
- Eunice, b. Dec. 18, 1651; twin with John; d. 1677; unm.
- 5 Esther, b. 1652, Middletown, Conn.; m. Benajah Stone.
- Sarah, b. Jan. 16, 1654, Middletown, Conn.; m. Samuel<sup>2</sup> Hubbard (George<sup>1</sup>).
- 7 Joseph, b. July 17, 1656, Middletown, Conn.
- Bethiah, b. Feb. 14, 1658, Middletown, Conn.; m. John Andrews.
- 9 Susannah, b. May 3, 1664, Middletown, Conn.; m. Abraham Cruttenden.
- Abigail, b. Mar. 6, 1666, Middletown, Conn.; m. David Robinson.

5 Esther<sup>2</sup> Kirby (John<sup>1</sup>), b. 1652; m. 1673, Benajah<sup>3</sup> Stone of Guilford, Conn., b. 1647, son of William<sup>2\*</sup> and Hannah Stone.

Their children were Benajah<sup>4</sup>, Hester, Mary and Abraham.

[\*William<sup>2</sup> Stone, b. 1608, Hereford, England, d. 1683; son of Rev. Samuel<sup>1</sup> Stone of Hereford, England, and Hartford, Ct., sailed with his wife Hannah from England, May 20, 1639, in the Rev. Henry Whitfields first Guilford company. Benajah was the third child.

Benajah<sup>4</sup>, b. Guilford, Conn.; m. Aug. 15, 1702, Hannah De Wolfe. He d. July 3, 1738. Five children.

Benajah<sup>5</sup>, b. Sept. 25, 1708, Guilford, Conn.; m. Mary Chittenden and removed to New Milford, Conn. Had six children.

Capt. Benjamin<sup>6</sup>, b. Oct. 15, 1739, served in the French-Indian War, 1758, and in repelling the British invasion of New Haven, July 5, 1779; m. May 8, 1760, Amy Tolls, b. 1739; d. 1804. He d. Sept. 10, 1830. Had eleven children.

Joel<sup>7</sup>, b. Sept. 11, 1775; m. Chloe Brown, who is of *Mayflower* descent through Elizabeth (Tilly) Howland. He d. Feb. 27, 1860. Had seven children.

Russel<sup>8</sup>, b. Jan. 5, 1801, New Milford, Conn.; m. Laura A. Hallock, b. Mar. 10, 1810; d. Dec. 19, 1889, dau. of Amos Hallock of Washington, Conn., descended from Peter Hallock, who settled in Southold, Long Island, 1640. He d. Mar. 18, 1881, New Milford, Conn.

Charles O.<sup>9</sup> Stone, b. Feb. 7, 1840, Washington, Conn.; m. Nov. 29, 1866, Rose C. Nettleton, b. Aug. 15, 1840, Durham, Conn., dau. of Deacon Henry C. Nettleton. Contractor, Meth., I. O. O. F., A. O. U. W., J. O. R. M., Dem.; res. Middletown, Conn.

*Children:*

Frances L., b. Dec. 19, 1868; d. July 1, 1872.

Clifton I., b. Mar. 12, 1871; res. Southington, Conn.

Berkeley C., b. Jan. 14, 1873; res. Middletown, Conn.

Cornelia H., b. Feb. 1, 1875; Teacher in Brighton H. S., Boston, Mass.

Henry R., b. Aug. 10, 1878; physician in N. Y. Hospital.

<sup>7</sup> Joseph<sup>2</sup> Kirby (John<sup>1</sup>), the only surviving son of John and Elizabeth Kirby, b. July 17, 1656, in Upper Houses, was, according to family traditions, a wheelwright by trade. He inherited the house and lot bought by his father of David Sage, which lot had been given "for a house lot" to David Sage. Its location is now occupied by the Savings Bank and other buildings. Joseph Kirby sold this to Nathaniel White for his son Jacob, and was given one of the four-acre lots in what was to be "comon forever," whereon he built and where he died. It was the corner opposite and south of the Catholic parsonage. By his will he gave this to his wife Mary. On March 1, 1708-9 he and others were admitted to be "attorneys at the bar," of Hartford County. He m. (1) Dec. 10, 1681, Wethersfield, Sarah Markham; (2) Oct. 17, 1704, Mary Plum of Milford, Conn., dau. of John Plum and Elizabeth Norton, and d.

Dec. 2, 1711, and was buried in Riverside Cemetery, Lower Middletown. He had ten children, the fourth being

18 John, b. Feb. 16, 1691.

9 Susannah Kirby<sup>2</sup> (John<sup>1</sup>), m. Abraham<sup>3</sup> Cruttenden of Guilford, Conn., b. Mar. 6, 1662, the eldest son of Abraham<sup>2</sup> Cruttenden,\* Jr., and Susannah Gregson.

They had seven children. The sixth, Hannah, b. May 10, 1701; d. Nov. 30, 1789; m. July 24, 1718, Ebenezer Parmelee of Guilford, b. Nov. 28, 1690; d. Sept. 27, 1777, son of Isaac (son of Jonathan, Jr.) Parmelee and Elizabeth Hilliard.

The second child of Ebenezer Parmelee and Hannah Cruttenden was Anna Parmelee, b. Mar. 27, 1720; m. Jonathan<sup>3</sup> Ranney (Joseph<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>). (See the Ranney Family.)

18 John<sup>3</sup> Kirby (Joseph<sup>2</sup>, John<sup>1</sup>), only surviving son of Joseph

*John Kirby*

Kirby and Sarah Markham, b. Feb. 16, 1691, Upper Houses, inherited a third part of his father's estate and purchased much

of his sister's share. He was a member of the church in the "North Society," organized Jan. 5, 1715, and d. Apr. 25, 1760. He m. Mar. 3, 1718, Hannah Stow, b. Feb. 11, 1696, dau. of Thomas Stow and Bethiah Stocking. She d. Mar. 7, 1780, aged eighty-four years. They had eleven children, of whom were

*Children:*

22 Joseph, b. Jan. 1, 1719.

Hannah, b. Apr., 1723; m. Solomon<sup>2</sup> Sage (Timothy<sup>2</sup>).

25 Daniel, b. Oct., 1724.

26 Sarah, b. July 19, 1726; m. Capt. Samuel Savage.

28 Thomas, b. Dec., 1729.

Bethiah, b. Dec. 31, 1731; m. Daniel Stocking (see Stocking Family.)

31 Jonathan, b. 1736.

22 Deacon Joseph<sup>4</sup> Kirby (John<sup>3</sup>, Joseph<sup>2</sup>, John<sup>1</sup>), b. Jan. 1, 1719, Upper Houses, was a farmer. His farm is now owned by the Ralph family. He was prominent in local and military affairs. In May, 1754, he was made Ensign of the Fifth Company of the

\* Abraham<sup>2</sup> Cruttenden, Jr., b. in England, was son of Abraham<sup>1</sup> Cruttenden, a member of Rev. Henry Whitfield's company.

6th Reg.; May, 1756, Lieut.; May, 1764, Captain. He m. June 15, 1743, Esther Wilcox, b. Dec. 3, 1720, dau. of John Wilcox and Mary Warner, both of Upper Houses. He d. Sept. 12, 1783. She d. Oct. 2, 1788. They had thirteen children, some of whom were

*Children:*

- 32 Joseph, b. May 16, 1745; m. ————— Jones; grad. Yale, 1765, licensed to preach Oct., 1771. Served under Capt. Edward Eells, in 3d Battalion, Wadsworth's Brigade, raised, June, 1776, and was engaged at the battle of White Plains, Oct. 26, 1776. Rem. to Dorset, Vt.
- 33 Naomi, b. Jan. 24, 1752; m. Dr. Solomon Savage.
- 35 Nehemiah, b. Nov. 24, 1754, Upper Houses; m. Jan. 25, 1787, Guilford, Conn., Mary Evarts. He inherited his father's homestead and d. Nov. 23, 1795. He had three children, of which Mary, b. Dec. 26, 1787; m. Justus Sage.
- 36 Abner, b. Feb. 4, 1757, Upper Houses; m. Anna Plum. He rem. to New Haven, in 1793, where he d. Oct. 31, 1804. His son Selah was a surgeon in the U. S. Army. His daughter Emily married the Rev. Francis L. Hawks, D. D., a distinguished Episcopal clergyman.
- 38 Elijah, b. Apr. 7, 1764, was a soldier of the Revolution and died a prisoner of war, July 7, 1782.

25 Daniel<sup>4</sup> Kirby (John<sup>3</sup>, Joseph<sup>2</sup>, John<sup>1</sup>), b. Oct. 24, 1724, Upper Houses; m. Oct. 26, 1752, Lucretia Porter, b. Mar. 27, 1733, dau. of Amos Porter and Sibyl Ranney. He d. Sept. 9, 1796. She d. Apr. 29, 1767. Their daughter Sibyl m. Joseph Shepard of Upper Houses, a Rev. soldier, who removed to Whitesboro, N. Y. Their daughter Lucretia, m. John Mildrum of Wethersfield and later of N. W. part of Upper Houses. W. W. Mildrum, postmaster at East Berlin, Conn., is a grandson.

26 Sarah<sup>4</sup> (John<sup>3</sup>, Joseph<sup>2</sup>, John<sup>1</sup>), b. July 19, 1726; m. Oct. 13, 1748, Capt. Samuel<sup>4</sup> Savage, b. 1722, youngest child of Thomas<sup>3</sup> Savage and Mary Goodwin. He was a Rev. soldier and his grave in Cromwell has the S. A. R. bronze marker.

28 Thomas<sup>4</sup> Kirby (John<sup>3</sup>, Joseph<sup>2</sup>, John<sup>1</sup>), b. Dec., 1729, Upper Houses; m. Lucy Stocking, b. June 10, 1737, dau. of Elisha Stocking and Rachel Ranney. His mansion stood nearly a half mile from the roadway. A double row of trees graces the road leading to the once superior mansion now in ruins. The U. S. Coast Survey has a station on the summit of the hill which is on

the farm. He d. July 29, 1810, and she d. Nov. 15, 1818. He had twelve children. Some of them.

*Children:*

- 68 Lucy, b. Sept. 23, 1760; m. William Hamlin.  
 69 Thomas<sup>5</sup>, b. Feb. 7, 1762; m. (1) Rebecca Hamlin; m. (2) Jane Brower; child, Jacob<sup>6</sup>; m. Nancy Swan.\*  
 71 Reuben, b. Sept. 5, 1768; m. Mary Butler, dau. of Comfort Butler and Sybil Ranney.  
 72 Samuel, b. Feb. 16, 1771.  
 74 Giles, b. June 16, 1777.  
 Betsy, b. July 7, 1779; m. Apr. 3, 1816, Elisha Treat (see the Treat Family).

31 Jonathan<sup>4</sup> Kirby (John<sup>3</sup>, Joseph<sup>2</sup>, John<sup>1</sup>), b. about 1736, Upper Houses; m. Mar. 1, 1769, Guilford, Conn., Lucy Burgis, b. Oct. 13, 1742, dau. of Thomas Burgis and Hannah Dodd (dau. of Samuel Dodd of Guilford, Conn., and Hannah Savage (John) of Upper Houses). She was "a woman of personal attractions, winnings manners and great energy of character," and d. Feb. 28, 1817, aged seventy-four years. He d. May 5, 1782. Mrs. Sarah J. (Stowe) Ashton, a granddaughter, received from her mother this statement: "During the Revolutionary War, Jonathan Kirby was one of the minute-men, and kept a horse in the stable, with saddle and bridle near, to be ready at once. His wife had his saddle bags packed, and any time she saw him coming quickly toward the house she brought them out and put up a lunch for him. He was at Guilford when the British came in there, also at New London when Benedict Arnold burned the town, and at other places which I have forgotten."

*Of their children:*

- 103 Elisha, b. Oct. 13, 1774.  
 104 Lucy, b. Oct. 1, 1776; m. Obed Stowe.

68 Lucy<sup>5</sup> Kirby (Thomas<sup>4</sup>, John<sup>3</sup>, Joseph<sup>2</sup>, John<sup>1</sup>), b. Sept. 23, 1760, Upper Houses; m. Oct. 18, 1781, as his second wife, William Hamlin, b. Sept. 14, 1754, Middletown, Conn. She d. Dec. 13, 1792, Middletown. He rem. 1803, to Charlestown, N. H., where he d. Dec. 29, 1831. Of his seven children the second was Joseph, b. Sept. 2, 1783.

\* Ancestry of Mrs. Grace Lillian (Cain) Durley: Jacob<sup>6</sup> Kirby, m. Nancy Swan. Elizabeth Kirby, m. George Edgar Cain, Res. Pittsfield, Mass. Their daughter, Grace Lillian Cain, m. Feb. 7, 1906, William Joseph Durley, Res. New Haven, Ct.

[ANCESTRY OF WILLIAM GIRARD HAMLIN—Giles<sup>1</sup> Hamlin, m. Esther Crow.

William<sup>2</sup> Hamlin, m. Susanna Collins.

Nathaniel<sup>3</sup> Hamlin, m. Sarah Ware.

William<sup>4</sup> Hamlin, m. (2) Lucy Kirby.

Maj. Joseph<sup>5</sup> Hamlin, m. Catherine Sprague.

Joseph Sprague<sup>6</sup> Hamlin, m. Delia Willard.

William Girard<sup>7</sup> Hamlin, b. Oct. 23, 1856, Hollard Patent, N. Y.; m. Sept. 12, 1888, Constable, N. Y., Jennie Eliza Miller, b. Aug. 22, 1862, Constable, N. Y., dau. of Stephen Todd Miller and Hannah Burrell. Lawyer, Rep., S. A. R., D. K. E.; grad. 1879, Hamilton Coll. Res. Des Moines, Iowa.

*Children:*

Marcia, b. Aug. 1, 1897.

Miller, b. Aug. 6, 1899.

72 Samuel<sup>5</sup> Kirby (Thomas<sup>4</sup>, John<sup>3</sup>, Joseph<sup>2</sup>, John<sup>1</sup>), b. Feb. 16, 1771, Upper Houses; m. Apr. 21, 1793, Abigail Sage, b. 1773, dau. of Timothy Sage and Abigail Riley. He built, 1828, the brick mansion standing in N. W. Cromwell and now occupied by the Caffrey family. He d. Apr. 1, 1849. She d. Feb. 6, 1856.

*Of their children:*

Philip, bapt. Feb. 5, 1797; d. Apr. 6, 1875, unm.

Sally Sage, bapt. July 29, 1804; m. Lorenzo H. Treat (see Treat Family).

97 Charles, bapt. Oct. 28, 1806.

Mary, bapt. Apr. 8, 1808; m. Lorenzo H. Treat as 2d wife (see Treat Family).

74 Giles<sup>5</sup> Kirby (Thomas<sup>4</sup>, John<sup>3</sup>, Joseph<sup>2</sup>, John<sup>1</sup>), b. June 16, 1777, Upper Houses; m. Nov. 12, 1801, Lucy Spencer, b. Mar. 31, 1782, dau. of Samuel Spencer and Martha Eells. He was lost at sea, 1807. She rem. to Hartford, Conn., where she d. July 25, 1854. They had one dau. Harriet, b. 1803; d. Nov. 12, 1871, Hartford, Conn. She made a bequest to Trinity College. Her tombstone in the old Cromwell cemetery is a Celtic cross.

97 Charles<sup>6</sup> Kirby (Samuel<sup>5</sup>, Thomas<sup>4</sup>, John<sup>3</sup>, Joseph<sup>2</sup>, John<sup>1</sup>), bapt. Oct. 28, 1806, Upper Houses, for many years holding prominent town offices; mem. of House and Senate. He m. July 6, 1830, Catherine Chauncey White, b. June 10, 1810, dau. of William White and Fanny Stocking, both of Upper Houses. Their children





WASHINGTON HOTEL, MIDDLETOWN. NOW BERKELEY DIVINITY SCHOOL.

Kept by Elisha Kirby when Lafayette was entertained there.

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THE HOUSE OF CHARLES KIRBY  
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THE HOUSE OF SAMUEL KIRBY  
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were: Sarah Goodrich, Frances Elizabeth, m. Fred B. Starr, and Katherine.

103 Elisha<sup>5</sup> Kirby (Jonathan<sup>4</sup>, John<sup>3</sup>, Joseph<sup>2</sup>, John<sup>1</sup>), b. Oct. 13, 1774, Upper Houses; m. Nov. 2, 1800, Betsy Spencer, bapt. Oct. 3, 1779, dau. of Samuel Spencer and Martha Eells. Elisha Kirby left his Upper Houses farm to keep the "Washington Hotel," which occupies the site of the homestead of Hon. Jabez Hamlin on the S. W. corner of Washington and Main streets. The Washington Hotel Company was organized in 1812 by a number of citizens who erected the spacious mansion, where General Lafayette was entertained in 1825 by Elisha Kirby. In 1835 it became the property of the Rev. Samuel F. Jarvis, D. D., LL. D. Later it became the Berkeley Divinity School of the Episcopal church, and was the home of Bishop John Williams for forty years. Mr. Kirby removed to Guilford, then New Haven, where he d. Feb. 18, 1868, at the advanced age of ninety-three years. She d. in New Haven, Dec. 20, 1859, aged eighty years.

*Children:*

- 105 Caroline, b. Aug. 9, 1801; m. William Williams (see the Williams Family).  
John, b. Oct. 5, 1803; d. Jan. 26, 1812.
- 106 William, b. July 2, 1805; m. Hannah M. Wolcott.  
Giles, b. Nov. 2, 1807; d. Dec., 1836, unm.  
Olive, b. Oct. 3, 1810; d. Mar. 29, 1811.  
John Burgis, b. Oct. 11, 1813; m. (1) Mary Ann T. Burgis;  
m. (2) Lucretia C. Bartlett.  
Eliab Burgis, b. Aug. 16, 1816; m. Caroline L. Noyes.  
Thomas Spencer, b. Dec. 23, 1819; m. Margaret Van Vleck.

106 Rev. William<sup>6</sup> Kirby (Elisha<sup>5</sup>, Jonathan<sup>4</sup>, John<sup>3</sup>, Joseph<sup>2</sup>, John<sup>1</sup>), b. July 2, 1805, Upper Houses, entered Yale College 1823, and graduated 1827, with one of the highest honors of his class. In 1828 he entered upon his theological studies in the Divinity School at Yale. In Dec. of that year a number of students, including William Kirby, banded themselves together to go to Illinois to preach the Gospel and found an institution of learning in that State. Having completed his theological course he was ordained Mar. 22, 1831, in Guilford, Conn., and began to teach in Illinois College, Jacksonville, Ill. After a severe illness he entered upon parochial work, first at Union Grove and then at Blackstone's Grove, Ill.

"Here Mr. Kirby and his family had an experience of the hard-

ships of frontier life, buying corn at \$1.50 a bushel, shelling it and carrying it eight miles to be ground. His nearest post-office was Chicago, twenty-eight miles distant." In April, 1836, he preached the first Congregational sermon in Iowa, while on a missionary tour. With his companion, both wet through in fording a river, they found a night's lodging in a log cabin about twelve feet square. "There were sixteen in it already, but a log cabin in those days was never full. The woman had three in her bed, and two in a bed supported by sticks driven into augur holes in the wall. She got up and took one child off the floor to her bed and the other to the patent bedstead, to make room for brother Kirby and myself to lie on the floor." ("Asa Turner and His Times," pp. 170, 171.)

Mr. Kirby was a delegate to the first Anti-Slavery Convention held in Illinois, at Upper Alton, Oct. 26, 1837, a few days before the murder of the Rev. E. P. Lovejoy, and took a prominent part in its proceedings. He was chairman of the committee on resolutions, and a member of the committee that drew up the Constitution of the State Anti-Slavery Society formed at this convention. In 1845 he resigned his charge and entered upon the general agency of the American Home Missionary Society, in which work he spent the remainder of his life, and in the midst of its active and laborious duties he died, Dec. 20, 1851, at Winchester, Ill.

He married, Nov. 28, 1832, at Jacksonville, Ill., Hannah McClure Wolcott, b. June 7, 1811, at East Windsor, Conn., dau. of Elihu<sup>6</sup> Wolcott and Rachel McClure. She d. Aug. 31, 1858, in Jacksonville, Ill.

*Children:*

Edward Payson, b. Oct. 28, 1833; m. Julia S. Duncan.

William Arthur, b. Aug. 6, 1837; m. Arabella Clement.

Frances Caroline, b. Jan. 25, 1840; m. James McLaughlin.

Catherine Wolcott, b. July 8, 1842; m. Charles E. Ross.

[WOLCOTT LINEAGE—Henry<sup>1</sup> Wolcott, bapt. Dec. 6, 1578, was the second son of John Wolcott of Tolland, Co. Somerset, England; was one of the founders of Windsor, Conn.

Simon<sup>2</sup> Wolcott, of Windsor, Conn., youngest son of the preceding, b. 1625; d. Sept. 11, 1687.

Lieut. Henry<sup>3</sup> Wolcott, b. May 20, 1670; d. Nov. 17, 1747.

Capt. Gideon<sup>4</sup> Wolcott, b. 1712; d. Jan. 5, 1761.

Samuel<sup>5</sup> Wolcott, b. Apr. 4, 1751; d. June 7, 1813; m. his cousin, Jerusha<sup>6</sup> Wolcott, b. Nov. 29, 1755; d. June 7, 1813 (General Erastus<sup>5</sup>, Governor Roger<sup>4</sup>, Simon<sup>3</sup>, Henry<sup>2</sup>, John<sup>1</sup>).]



*Metatiah E. Dwight*



- 115 Helen McClure, b. Jan. 12, 1845; m. M. E. Dwight, D. D. Henry Burgis, b. Mar. 20, 1848; d. Aug. 4, 1849.  
Elizabeth Pomeroy, b. Apr. 1, 1850; graduated from Vassar College, 1872; teacher in Brookline, Mass., 1873-81, instructor in Miss Annie Brown's School for Girls, New York City, 1881-93; not married.

115 Helen McClure<sup>7</sup> Kirby (William<sup>6</sup>, Elisha<sup>5</sup>, Jonathan<sup>4</sup>, John<sup>3</sup>, Joseph<sup>2</sup>, John<sup>1</sup>), b. Jan. 12, 1845, Mendon, Ill.; was musical instructor in the Illinois Institution for the Blind, 1862-65; student of music at the Conservatory of Music, Leipsic, Germany, 1867-69; m. June 23, 1870, Jacksonville, Ill., Rev. Melatiah Everett Dwight, D. D., b. Oct. 15, 1841, son of John Dwight of New York City and Nancy S. Everett, dau. of Captain Metcalf Everett of Foxboro, Mass.; grad. from College of the City of New York, 1860; from Bellevue Hospital Medical College, 1864, and from Andover Theological Seminary, 1866; ordained Feb. 25, 1869, at Onarga, Ill.; pastor of the Congregational church of Onarga, Ill., 1869-79, and of the Congregational church of Fairfield, Ia., 1879-88; relinquished pastoral work in 1888 on account of weakness of the lungs and has since resided at Plainfield, N. J., and New York City; published "The Kirbys of New England," in 1898; became editor of the *New York Genealogical Record* in 1902, and president of the N. Y. Genealogical Society in 1905; was one of the secretaries of the National Federation of Churches and a member of the Executive Committee appointed by the Inter-Church Conference on Federation, 1905, to call the Federal Council in 1908. Received the degree of D. D. from Parsons College, Fairfield, Iowa. Phi Beta Kappa and Alpha Delta Phi. Mem. Soc. of Cincinnati. He was a generous member of the Society of Middletown Upper Houses. His death occurred at Mt. Holyoke Hotel, Mt. Holyoke, Mass., on Sept. 21, 1907. Widow res. New York City.

*Children:*

- Ellsworth Everett Dwight, b. Mar. 20, 1871, at Onarga, Ill.; mem. firm of Church and Dwight, N. Y. City.  
Richard Everett Dwight, b. June 21, 1875, at Onarga, Ill.; m. Sept. 27, 1899, Gertrude Grace, dau. of Capt. Peter Grace, of Jamestown, N. Y.; attorney in New York City.  
William Kirby Dwight, M. D., b. Aug. 8, 1879, at Onarga, Ill. Interne at Roosevelt Hospital, N. Y. City.  
Katharine Wolcott Dwight, b. Aug. 13, 1881, at Fairfield, Iowa.  
Marion Edith Dwight, b. Feb. 27, 1886, at Fairfield, Iowa.

[LINE OF CHARLES E. BOOTH—John<sup>1</sup> Kirby, m. Elizabeth Hinds.  
 Elizabeth<sup>2</sup> Kirby, m. David<sup>2</sup> Sage.  
 John<sup>3</sup> Sage, m. Hannah Starr.  
 Capt. David<sup>4</sup> Sage, m. Bathsheba Judd.  
 Capt. Aaron Porter, m. Rhoda<sup>5</sup> Sage.  
 Abijah<sup>6</sup> Porter, m. Hannah Deming.  
 Edwin Booth, m. Sarah Maria<sup>7</sup> Porter.  
 Alfred<sup>8</sup> Booth, m. Fanny Woodbury Abel.  
 Charles E.<sup>9</sup> Booth, b. July 24, 1849, Springfield, Mass.; P. O.  
 address, National Arts Club, N. Y. City. Mr. Booth's maternal  
 ancestry is Fanny Woodbury<sup>8</sup> Abel, Abigail<sup>7</sup> Bates, Captain David<sup>6</sup>  
 Bates, Edith<sup>5</sup> Cornwall, Jacob<sup>4</sup> Cornwall, Mary<sup>3</sup> White, Capt. Na-  
 thaniel<sup>2</sup> White, John<sup>1</sup> White.]

[LINE OF MRS. MARIA OLIVIA STEELE LE BRUN—Sarah<sup>2</sup> Kirby, m.  
 Samuel<sup>2</sup> Hubbard (George<sup>1</sup>).  
 Serg. George<sup>3</sup> Hubbard, m. Mercy Seymour.  
 Thankful<sup>4</sup> Hubbard, m. Joseph Smith, Jr.  
 Abigail<sup>5</sup> Smith, m. Samuel Andrews.  
 Lydia<sup>6</sup> Andrews, m. Oliver Richards.  
 Marilla<sup>7</sup> Richards, m. Ebenezer Hart Steele.  
 Oliver Richards<sup>8</sup> Steele, m. Elizabeth Selden.  
 Maria Olivia<sup>9</sup> Steele, b. Jan. 31, 1860, Brooklyn, N. Y.; m. Sept.  
 21, 1892, N. Y. City, Michel Moracin Le Brun, b. Aug. 6, 1856,  
 Germantown, Pa.; res. Montclair, N. J.]

*Children:*

Olivia Le Brun, b. July 14, 1893.  
 Pierre Napoleon Le Brun, b. July 5, 1896.  
 Elizabeth Selden Le Brun, b. Apr. 29, 1898.]

[LINE OF CAROLINE GAYLORD NEWTON—Hannah<sup>2</sup> Kirby, m.  
 Thomas Andrews.  
 Abigail<sup>3</sup> Andrews, m. Joel Parmelee.  
 Joel<sup>4</sup> Parmelee, m. Rhoda Camp.  
 Mary<sup>5</sup> Parmelee, m. Miles Merwin.  
 Miles<sup>6</sup> Merwin, m. Phebe Camp.  
 Nancy M.<sup>7</sup> Merwin, m. Gaylord Newton.  
 Caroline Gaylord<sup>8</sup> Newton, b. Jan. 21, 1845; m. Dec. 9, 1864,  
 Henry Huntington Newton. Res. Durham, Conn.]

[LINE OF WILLIAM FRANCIS JOSEPH BOARDMAN.

*First Line.*

Mary<sup>2</sup> Kirby, m. Emanuel Buck.



Sarah<sup>3</sup> Buck, m. Samuel Deming.  
 Honor<sup>4</sup> Deming, m. Hezekiah Goodrich.  
 Elizur<sup>5</sup> Goodrich, m. Abigail Deming.  
 Mehitable<sup>6</sup> Goodrich, m. Daniel Francis.  
 Mary<sup>7</sup> Francis, m. William Boardman.

*Second Line.*

Sarah<sup>3</sup> Buck, m. Samuel Deming.  
 David<sup>4</sup> Deming, m. Martha Russell.  
 Abigail<sup>5</sup> Deming, m. Elizur Goodrich.  
 Mehitable<sup>6</sup> Goodrich, m. Daniel Francis.  
 Mary<sup>7</sup> Francis, m. William Boardman.  
 William Francis Joseph<sup>7</sup> Boardman (William<sup>6</sup>, Joseph<sup>5</sup>, Levi<sup>4</sup>,

*William F. J. Boardman*

Joseph<sup>3</sup>, Samuel<sup>2</sup>, Samuel<sup>1</sup>, who settled, 1638, in Ipswich, Mass., and, 1640-1, was in Wethersfield) b. Dec. 12, 1828, Hartford, Conn., m. Jan. 7, 1852, Jane Maria Greenleaf, dau. of Dr. Charles Greenleaf and Electa Toocker, who was the dau. of Joseph Toocker, shipwright, who built, 1784, the Toocker house in Upper Houses, seen in this volume.] (See biographical sketch on page 772.)

[LINE OF MABEL WARD CAMERON.

Sarah<sup>2</sup> Kirby, m. Samuel<sup>2</sup> Hubbard (George<sup>1</sup>).  
 Lt. John<sup>3</sup> Hubbard, b. 1691; m. Agnes Spencer.  
 Hannah<sup>4</sup> Hubbard, b. Dec. 25, 1716; m. Aug. 6, 1740, Jonathan Bidwell.  
 Jonathan<sup>5</sup> Bidwell, Jr., b. Feb. 6, 1746; m. July 18, 1771, Abigail Eggleston.  
 James<sup>6</sup> Bidwell, b. Mar. 5, 1783; m. 1802, Lovisa Swetland.

*James Bidwell*

James<sup>7</sup> Bidwell, Jr., b. May 13, 1803; m. Nov. 16, 1826, Electa Griswold.

Delia<sup>8</sup> Bidwell, b. July 22, 1831; d. Apr. 19, 1901; m. Nov. 15, 1853, Austin Merrels Ward, b. Oct. 25, 1831; d. Sept. 17, 1875.

*Children:*

Stella, b. Nov. 5, 1860; d. Nov. 11, 1860.

Mabel Ward<sup>9</sup>, m. Charles Ernest Cameron, M. D., C. M., M.  
R. C. S., Eng. Res. Allston, Mass. *Child:*

Ward Griswold Cameron, student at Harvard, 1907.

Edith, m. Henry Cecil Dwight, Jr. Res. Hartford, Conn.

*Children:*

Elizabeth Ward Dwight.

Cecil Britnall Dwight.

James Austin, m. Edith Wiley Rice. Res. Hartford, Conn.

*Children:*

Hubbard Beach Ward.

Constance Ward.]

## THE L'HOMMEDIEU FAMILY

Benjamin<sup>1</sup> L'Hommedieu, probably son of Pierre L'Hommedieu and Martha Peron, was born, 1656, at LaRochelle, France. He married Patience Sylvester, daughter of Nathaniel Sylvester of Shelter Island, Long Island Sound, being in New York State. He died Jan. 17, 1748. Patience, his wife, died Nov. 2, 1749.

2 The oldest son, Benjamin<sup>2</sup>, born Dec. 3, 1694, m. (1) Mary Conklin, d. June 19, 1730, dau. of John; m. (2) Martha Bourne, dau. of Judge Ezra Bourne and Martha Prince, who died in Upper Houses (Cromwell), Jan. 16, 1782, aged 79, according to her tombstone, as also his slaves.

Their son, Ezra<sup>3</sup>, b. Aug. 30, 1734, Southold, L. I., grad. Yale, 1754, studied law with Judge Robert Hempstead of Southold; m. (1) Charity Floyd, dau. of Nicholl Floyd and Tabitha Smith of Brookhaven, L. I., and sister of General William Floyd, signer of the Declaration of Independence, who died July 31, 1785, aged 47. He married (2) Mary Catherine Havens, dau. of Nicholl Havens and Sarah Fosdick, dau. of Deacon Thomas Fosdick of New London, Conn. Ezra<sup>3</sup> L'Hommedieu was delegate, May, 1775, to the First Provincial Congress; also the Second and Third. In 1777 was member of the Assembly from Suffolk County till 1783; was delegate from New York to the Continental Congress from 1779 to 1783, though residing in the Upper Houses at the time, and again in 1787 and 1788. He assisted in forming the first State Constitution; was member of the New York Assembly, 1777-1809, except 1793, and was once appointed a member of the Council. The British having possession of Long Island, the L'Hommedieus as rebels found themselves hemmed in. The General Assembly of Connecticut voted to send a vessel to bring Mr. L'Hommedieu "and his effects" to this colony. In 1780 he bought the Thomas Johnson house in Upper Houses, and resided in it till he sold it in 1784. His slaves are buried here. (At the same time Matthew Wells came and purchased the homestead of Corporal Thomas<sup>4</sup> Ranney, now known as "West Cottage" of the Cromwell Sanatorium.) The local historian of Southold wrote in his "History of Southold" that Ezra L'Hommedieu was the greatest man born there. His business interests are detailed in connection with Capt. Hugh White, on page 721.

Sylvester<sup>2</sup> L'Hommedieu, fifth child of Benjamin<sup>1</sup>, b. Jan. 7, 1703; m. 1737, Elizabeth Booth.

Grover<sup>3</sup> L'Hommedieu (Sylvester<sup>2</sup>), removed to Norwich, Conn. He had two wives and nineteen children. Several of the daughters married into prominent families of Essex, Conn., and several sons settled there.

Joseph<sup>4</sup> L'Hommedieu (Grover<sup>3</sup>), m. Elizabeth Gridley, dau. of Isaac Gridley of Upper Houses and Elizabeth<sup>6</sup> Smith (Capt. John<sup>5</sup>, Ensign Joseph<sup>4</sup>, Rev. Joseph<sup>3</sup>, Lt. Philip<sup>2</sup>, Samuel<sup>1</sup>). (See the Gridley Family.)

## THE PROUT FAMILY.

(The compiler of this volume was born in the City of Washington on what was the Prout farm before the District of Columbia was located by Act of Congress. There is nothing to indicate that the ancient Prout family of Maryland was connected with that of William Prout who at so early a day taught school in the Upper Houses.)

Thomas Prout of Biddeford, Co. Devon, England, was buried there June 22, 1561.

Hugh Prout of Biddeford, m. Joane ————. His will was dated June 6, 1619. Buried June 10, 1619.

William Prout, bapt. July 23, 1588; m. Susan Lambert. Buried at Biddeford, Feb. 13, 1654.

1 Timothy<sup>1</sup> Prout (William, Hugh, Thomas), was b. Mar. 14, 1620, Biddeford; came to Boston; made freeman May 29, 1644; ship carpenter and mariner; purchased house in Boston, Nov. 4, 1654; Capt. and Master of *Increase*, 1657; mem. of Old South church, Feb. 20, 1644; in a plan of Old South Meeting House, 1730, the Governor had pew next the front door on the left hand and the "Prout" pew was on the right hand; surveyor of the Port of Boston, 1682; Capt. of Fort and Artillery, 1683; on commission for settlement of deeds with Indians, Sept. 16, 1685. Selectman, 1684-90; Rep. to General Court, 1685-86-89-92. Married (1) Margaret ————, who d. Oct., 1685; m. (2) Elizabeth ————, who d. Jan. 19, 1694, in her fifty-seventh year. He d. Nov. 3, 1702. Buried in Kings Chapel enclosure.

### *Children:*

Timothy, b. Mar. 10, 1645; lost at sea before 1699; m. Deborah Symmes.

Susanna, b. Apr. 26, 1647.

John, bapt. Feb. 11, 1647-8; d. Sept. 20, 1719, New Haven, Conn.; m. Mary Hall. His son John was Treas. Yale Coll., 1717-1765.

Joseph, bapt. Feb. 9, 1650; d. Jan. 13, 1721.

William, bapt. May 23, 1653.

Benjamin, bapt. July 16, 1655; d. Apr. 5, 1669.

2 Ebenezer, b. Mar. 14, 1656.

2 Ebenezer<sup>2</sup> Prout (Timothy<sup>1</sup>), b. Mar. 14, 1656, Boston; bapt. Mar. 15, 1657; m. 1678, Elizabeth Wheeler, dau. of Capt. Timothy Wheeler, b. \_\_\_\_\_; d. Oct. 11, 1683; m. (2) Grace \_\_\_\_\_. Clerk of House of Rep., 1689; June 6, signed Order of House for imprisonment of Sir Edmond Andros in Castle; Rep. from Watertown, 1693; town clerk and selectman, 1694; licensed to practice physics and surgery in New Haven, Conn., 1711; rem. to Middletown, Conn., where he d. 1735.

*Child by first marriage:*

Timothy, b. \_\_\_\_\_, Boston; d. Apr. 5, 1768, Scarborough, Me.; m. Lydia, dau. of Maj. Thomas Savage.

*Children by second marriage:*

Eunice, b. 1690.

Mary, b. 1694.

John, b. 1695.

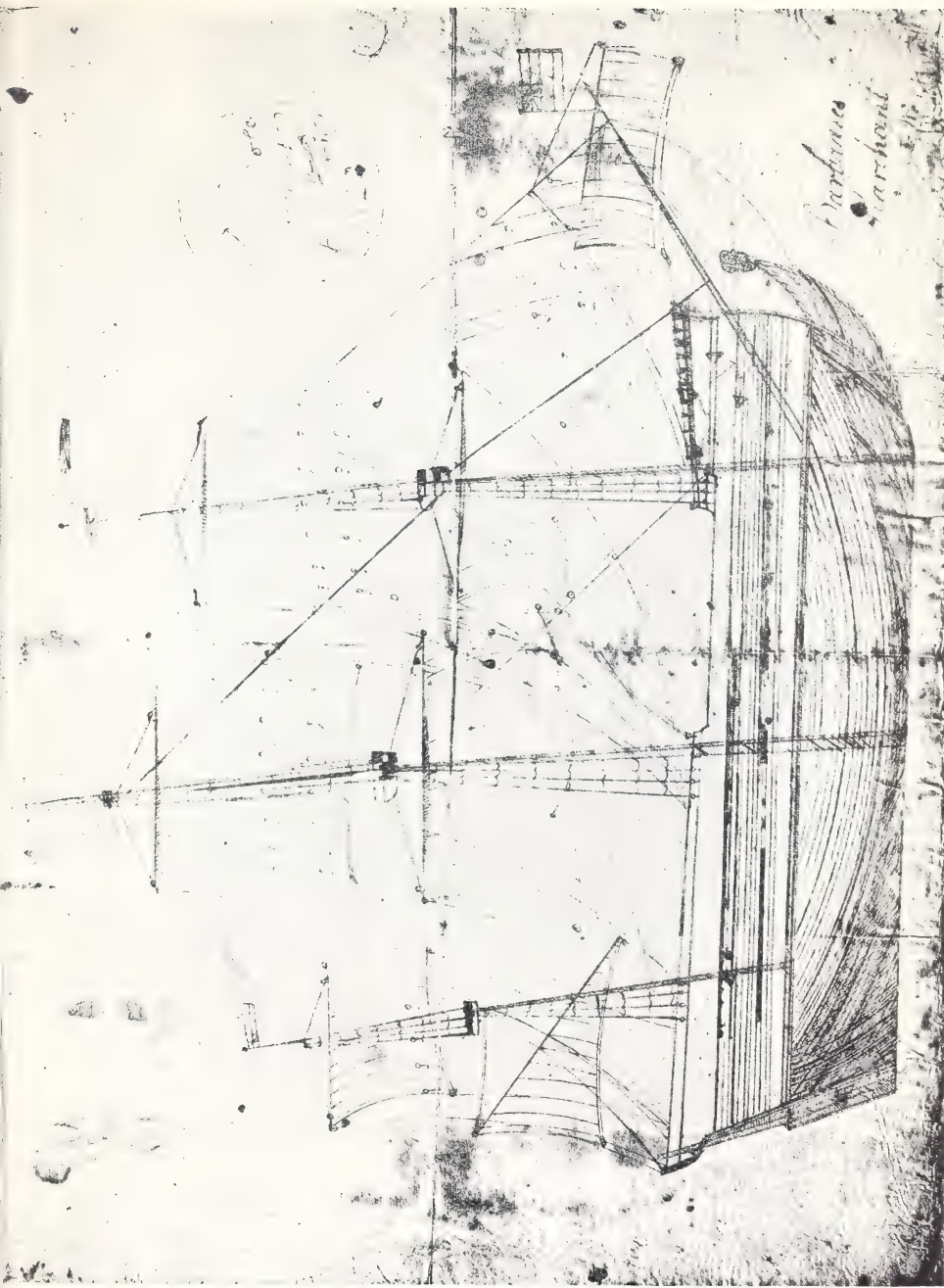
John, b. 1696.

3 William, b. Oct. 29, 1698.

3 William<sup>3</sup> Prout (Ebenezer<sup>2</sup>, Timothy<sup>1</sup>), b. Oct. 29, 1699, Concord, Mass.; m. Apr. 2, 1729, Middletown, Conn., Rachel Harris, b. 1707, dau. of John and Susannah Harris, who d. Nov. 27, 1799, Middletown, Conn. He d. Dec. 20, 1789, and is buried in Farm Hill cemetery.

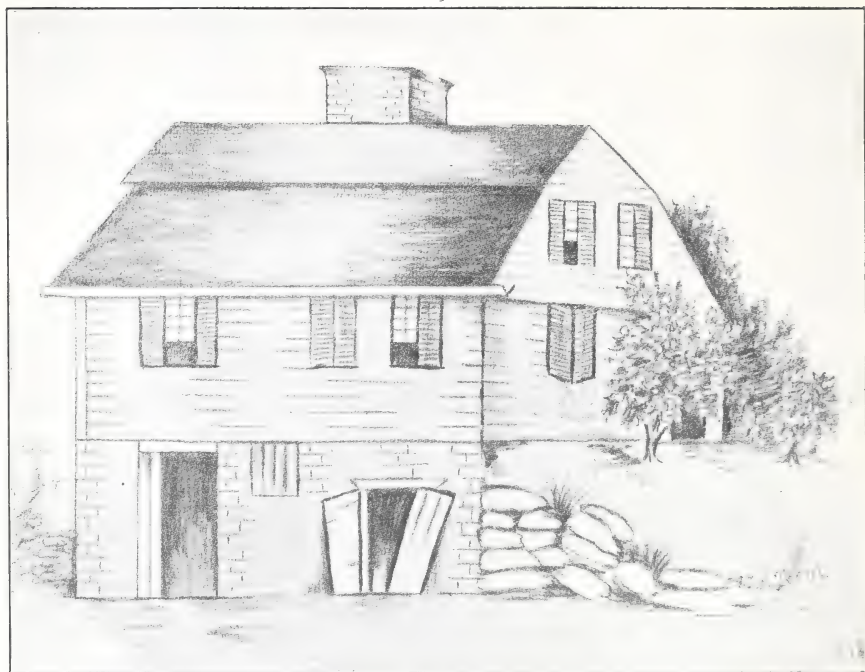
In 1717 he taught school in the Upper Houses, and for several years was a merchant. In company with another he built a ship, the *Barbadoes Merchant*. Through the failure of his partner the project was abandoned and he lost all his property. Tradition says his wife Rachel burned deeds of a large tract of land in or near Boston which he had inherited from his father in order to save it to squatters who would have lost their all had it gone into the hands of creditors.

In 1744 when crossing the Connecticut River at midnight on the ice, he fell into the river and swam for forty minutes before he was rescued. He never recovered from the shock and was an invalid the remainder of his life, which was spent on his wife's farm inherited from her father. The park and lake at South Farm were a part of the property, as well as the Farm Hill Cemetery given in 1723 to the town by Joseph Harris. Several sons served in the Revolution.



*Providence*  
*War-hunt*

THE DRAWING WAS EXECUTED BY WILLIAM PROUT, SCHOOLMASTER, IN 1720 (See page 619)



THE HOUSE OF FLETCHER RANNEY  
(See page 187)



*Children:*

- Susanna, b. Jan. 22, 1730.  
 Harris, b. Apr. 21, 1732; d. 1822. Son Oliver, b. 1757, in  
 Rev. Army, d. 1835.  
 Rachel, b. 1733; d. June 6, 1831, Windham, N. Y.  
 William, b. June 24, 1735.  
 Ebenezer, b. Feb. 28, 1737.  
 Deborah, b. Dec. 2, 1738.  
 Darcey, b. Feb. 8, 1743; d. Aug. 25, 1831.  
 Eunice, b. Dec. 28, 1744.  
 4 John, b. Dec. 16, 1749.

4 John<sup>4</sup> Prout (William<sup>3</sup>, Ebenezer<sup>2</sup>, Timothy<sup>1</sup>), b. Dec. 16, 1749, Middletown, Conn.; m. 1773, Rachel Hedges. Both were Episcopalians. Commissioned Sergeant in Capt. Roger Riley's Company, Matthew Talcott's Reg., at Middletown, Mar. 22, 1776. He was present at the surrender of Burgoyne. The commission is in possession of D. B. Prout, Ashland, N. Y. Com. Lieut. in 3d Co., 23d Reg. Militia at Middletown, Oct. 29, 1794. He was farmer, rem. 1799, to Windham, now Ashland, N. Y., where he d. Apr. 7, 1823.

*Children:*

- Phebe, b. July 11, 1774; d. Apr. 10, 1817.  
 John Harris, b. Jan. 7, 1776; d. Canastota, N. Y.; m. 1801,  
 Lois Brainerd.  
 Deborah, b. Jan. 9, 1778; d. Mt. Morris, N. Y.; m. 1799,  
 Russell Gladding.  
 5 Curtis, b. Jan. 30, 1780.  
 Ruth, b. Apr. 9, 1782.  
 Susanna, b. Oct. 11, 1785; d. Mar. 18, 1857, Windham, N. Y.  
 Hannah, b. Mar. 7, 1787; d. Jan. 23, 1839; m. 1813, Dr.  
 Tuttle.  
 6 Ruth, b. Oct. 6, 1789; d. Nov. 22, 1859; m. Aug. 28, 1814,  
 Samuel Smith.

5 Curtis<sup>5</sup> Prout (John<sup>4</sup>, William<sup>3</sup>, Ebenezer<sup>2</sup>, Timothy<sup>1</sup>), b. Jan. 30, 1780, Middletown, Conn.; m. Oct. 6, 1809, Richmond, Mass., Mary Benton, b. June 1, 1784, Richmond; d. Apr. 8, 1852, Ashland, N. Y., dau. of Stephen Benton and Prudence Reypolds. Both Epis., farmer, Dem., and F. & A. M.; rem. Oct. 14, 1799, to Windham, N. Y., now Ashland, where he d. Feb. 2, 1870.

*Children:*

- Henry Hedges, b. Dec. 3, 1810; d. May 6, 1879; m. Maria Wicks.

Eliza, b. Mar. 18, 1813; d. Dec. 21, 1817.

Mary, b. June 18, 1815; d. May 25, 1884; m. Henry Groat.

Phebe, b. July 13, 1817; d. Sept. 27, 1888; m. A. B. Barlow.

William, b. Oct. 23, 1820; d. Oct. 15, 1847; m. Amanda Goslee.

John Curtis, b. Jan. 9, 1823; d. June 12, 1901; m. Ellen Gladding.

George Washington, b. Aug. 7, 1825; d. Sept. 24, 1868.

7 Darius Benton, b. Sept. 5, 1827.

6 Ruth<sup>5</sup> Prout (sister to Curtis), b. Oct. 6, 1789, Middletown, Conn.; m. Aug. 28, 1814, Windham, N. Y., Samuel Smith, b. 1790; d. 1868, Ashland, N. Y. Farmer, clothier and dyer, Dem., Epis. She d. Nov. 22, 1859, Ashland, N. Y.

*Children:*

Edgar Smith, b. July 14, 1816; d. Jan. 2, 1885; m. (1)

Martha Meddah; m. (2) Caroline Thompson.

Austin Smith, b. Nov. 27, 1819; d. Aug. 18, 1872; m. (1)

Mary Coe; m. (2) Mary Dunbar Beach.

8 Jerome Smith, b. Nov. 19, 1829.

7 Darius Benton<sup>6</sup> Prout (Curtis<sup>5</sup>, John<sup>4</sup>, William<sup>3</sup>, Ebenezer<sup>2</sup>, Timothy<sup>1</sup>), b. Sept. 5, 1827, Ashland, N. Y.; m. Oct. 16, 1860, Jewett, N. Y., Hannah Jane Stranghan, b. Nov. 21, 1835, Ashland, N. Y., dau. of Thomas Stranghan and Delia Peck. Both Epis.; Dem., farmer. Mr. Prout owns the chest, Bible printed 1611, containing Timothy's birth, and other articles brought over by Timothy<sup>1</sup> Prout, and also furnished the drawing of the ship *Barbadoes*, made by William<sup>3</sup> Prout, schoolmaster at Upper Houses. Resides Ashland, N. Y.

*Children:*

Curtis Benton, b. Nov. 23, 1861; d. Aug. 27, 1863.

Edward Goddard, b. Dec. 29, 1863; m. Sarah J. McLean.

Thomas Peck, b. May 15, 1867.

Caroline, b. Jan. 10, 1869; m. Thomas Wilbur Jeralds.

Delia Susan, b. Dec. 21, 1873.

Helen, b. May 5, 1875.

8 Jerome<sup>6</sup> Smith (Ruth<sup>5</sup> Prout), b. Nov. 19, 1829, Ashland, N. Y.; d. Oct. 6, 1875, Kingston, N. Y.; m. June 18, 1851, Ashland, N. Y., Malvina Thompson, b. Nov. 18, 1832, Jewett, N. Y.; d. Feb. 11, 1888, Kingston, N. Y., dau. of John Wright Thomp-

son and Deidamia Holcomb. Both Presb. Farmer, Dem.; res. Ashland, N. Y.

*Children:*

Sidney Thompson, b. May 29, 1852; m. Agnes G. Southard; res. Kingston, N. Y.

Dwight, b. Feb. 16, 1854; m. Annetta Johnson; res. Kingston, N. Y.

Caroline Eldora, b. Oct. 30, 1855; m. Peter Conger Osterhout; res. Kingston, N. Y.

Nelson Russel, b. Apr. 15, 1858; m. Minnie C. Stone; res. Kingston, N. Y.

Cora Estelle, b. July 11, 1860; m. James R. Wood; res. Kingston, N. Y.

Adaline Malvina, b. Oct. 19, 1862; d. Mar. 4, 1898; m. Wm. B. Snow.

Marion, b. May 12, 1865; m. Edgar E. Oughletree; res. Kingston, N. Y.

Jerry, b. Apr. 3, 1867; d. Sept. 9, 1888.

## THE RILEY FAMILY.

1 Nathaniel<sup>3</sup> Riley (Isaac<sup>2</sup>, John<sup>1</sup> of Wethersfield), b. Jan. 13, 1716, Wethersfield, Conn.; m. Jan. 24, 1739, Abigail Montague, b. July 11, 1716, Wethersfield, dau. of Richard Montague and Abigail (Benton) Camp, b. Dec. 9, 1691, the widow

of Joseph Camp and the dau. of Samuel Benton.

Nathaniel<sup>3</sup> Riley in 1741 purchased of Ebenezer<sup>3</sup> Sage of Middletown Upper Houses, the homestead of the latter, which had been given to him by his father, John<sup>2</sup> Sage. It consisted of two tracts of land. The north part was originally given to John Kirby, whose widow sold it to John Andrews and who sold it to John<sup>2</sup> Sage, who had previously bought the other tract of his brother Timothy<sup>2</sup> Sage, and which had originally been granted to David<sup>1</sup> Sage, who had given it to his son, David<sup>2</sup> Sage. This David<sup>2</sup> had a mental infirmity and the property was sold by court procedure and bought in by Timothy<sup>2</sup>. The details were found on the fly-leaf of the treasurer's book of the original church in Middletown. Mr. Riley, according to John Warner's account book, was a harness maker. Here he lived till his death, June 1, 1776. His widow d. 1789.

### *Children:*

Ann, b. Sept. 1, 1740, lived over one hundred years and died in the old homestead.

Tryphena, b. Oct. 1, 1742; m. Mar. 14, 1765, Stephen<sup>3</sup> Savage (William<sup>2</sup>, John<sup>1</sup>), b. Oct. 26, 1737; d. Aug. 14, 1825, Littleton, N. H. Served in the Revolution. *Children:* Anna, Stephen, Sylvester, Roswell, Eleanor, Elizabeth.

Abigail, b. Apr. 14, 1744; m. May 5, 1768, Timothy<sup>3</sup> Sage; d. 1836, Oswego, N. Y.

Rosetta, b. May 12, 1746; m. Apr. 22, 1773, Capt. Zebulon Stow (see Stow Family).

2 Asher, b. Mar. 24, 1748.

Julius, b. May 7, 1750; m. Mabel Atkins. Served in Rev. War, also in War of 1812. Rem. to Chester, Mass., and in 1811 to Aurora, O., where he d. Nov. 29, 1839.

Eleanor, b. Apr. 12, 1752; lived unm. over one hundred years and died in the old homestead.

Nathaniel, b. Sept. 22, 1754; m. Abigail Atkins. Served in the Revolution. Rem. to Hartford and Windsor; d. 1805.

Joseph, b. Jan. 27, 1757; m. Dec. 29, 1793, Elizabeth (Churchill) Williams, widow of Stephen Williams. Rem. 1792 to Sharon, Conn., where he d. Apr. 13, 1801. Served in the Revolution.

Mary (twin to Joseph), b. Jan. 27, 1757; d. Feb. 27, 1757.

Samuel, b. Apr. 27, 1760; m. Molly Savage, dau. of Capt. Abijah Savage; rem. to Sharon, Conn., then to Great Barrington, Mass.; lived next to Episcopal rectory.

Lucretia, b. Aug. 20, 1763; m. Ozias Mills.

[MONTAGUE LINEAGE—Peter Montague, m. Eleanor Allen, dau. of William Allen, both of Boveney, Parish of Burnham, Buckinghamshire, England.

Richard<sup>1</sup> Montague, b. abt. 1614, Burnham, seven miles from Windsor, came to Maine between 1634 and 1646, at which last date he rem. from Wells, Me., to Boston; m. abt. 1637, Abigail Downing, dau. of Rev. Dr. Downing of Norwich, Eng. In 1651 they rem. to Wethersfield, Conn., where she was admitted to the church, May 26, 1651, with a letter from the First ch. of Boston. In 1659 fifty-nine families of Hartford and Wethersfield, including his family, signed an agreement to rem. and settle Hadley, Mass. He d. there Dec. 14, 1681; she Nov. 8, 1694. They had two sons, Peter and John, and four daughters, Mary, Sarah, Martha and Abigail.

John<sup>2</sup> Montague (Richard<sup>1</sup>), b. 1655-6, Wethersfield; m. Mar. 23, 1681, Hannah Smith, dau. of Chileab Smith and Hannah Hitchcock of Hadley. They had seven sons and three daughters. He remained on the homestead until his death, abt. 1732. His widowed mother lived with him till her death, 1694.

Richard<sup>3</sup> Montague, b. Mar. 16, 1684, Hadley, Mass.; m. July 28, 1715, Abigail Camp, and rem. that year to Wethersfield; he d. Dec. 24, 1751; she May 7, 1753, aged sixty-two.

*Of their children:*

Abigail<sup>4</sup>, b. July 11, 1716; m. Nathaniel Riley.

Martha, b. Mar. 17, 1726; m. Elisha Sage. (See the Sage Family.)

Sarah, b. May 10, 1736; m. June 2, 1757, Amos Sage. (See the Sage Family.)

Lucy, b. Apr. 25, 1738; m. Oct. 22, 1761, Capt. John Smith. (See the Smith Family.)]

- 2 Asher<sup>4</sup> Riley (Nathaniel<sup>3</sup>, Isaac<sup>2</sup>, John<sup>1</sup>), b. Mar. 27, 1748, Upper Houses; m. Oct. 25, 1772, Rebecca<sup>4</sup> Sage (Amos<sup>3</sup>, Timothy<sup>2</sup>, David<sup>1</sup>), b. Feb. 22, 1754; d. July 15, 1829. He built in the

Nuiks the house now known as the "Morrison" house. Served on a privateer. He had thirteen children; d. Mar. 20, 1823, Upper Houses.

*Of their children:*

- 3 James, b. Oct. 27, 1779.  
4 Submit, b. Mar. 22, 1783.

3 Capt. James<sup>5</sup> Riley (Asher<sup>4</sup>, Nathaniel<sup>3</sup>, Isaac<sup>2</sup>, John<sup>1</sup>), b. Oct. 27, 1779, Upper Houses; m. Jan., 1802, Phoebe Miller, b. \_\_\_\_\_, dau. of Hosea Miller, a patriot of the Revolution (Elijah) and Mary Stow. In 1807 he purchased the property first granted to Thomas<sup>4</sup> Ranney and known as Prospect Hill. He set out the forty-two poplar trees seen in the 1835 "view of Middletown," taken from "Barber's Collections." When fifteen years of age he determined to go to sea, having a desire to visit foreign countries. As he improved his opportunities to study the art of navigation he was at twenty master of a ship. In this capacity he made voyages to all climes visited by American ships, traveled through foreign lands and mastered other languages.

For several years he was supercargo as well as captain, and prospered. In Jan., 1808, while commanding *The Two Marys*, he took shelter in Belle Isle, in the Bay of Biscay, the ship was seized by the French under the "Milan decree" of Dec. 17, 1807, and both ship and cargo were confiscated. This loss was followed in 1815 by another more severe to him, but which proved a source of knowledge and benefaction to the world at large. As master and supercargo of the brig *Commerce*, of Hartford, Conn., Captain Riley proceeded to sea, May 6, 1815, bound for New Orleans, where he discharged his cargo, took on another consisting of tobacco and flour, which he landed at Gibraltar, on Aug. 9. There he took on a part load of brandies and wines, intending to complete his cargo with salt at the Cape Verde Islands. A dense fog for some days prevailed, and on the night of the 28th, with a heavy sea and a high wind the ship at 10 p. m. struck with violence the reef off Cape Bajador, Africa. The crew landed without loss of life, but the next day were taken captives by a wandering tribe of Arabs and sold by them to Moorish merchantmen and by these carried through the desert of Sahara, where for more than two years they



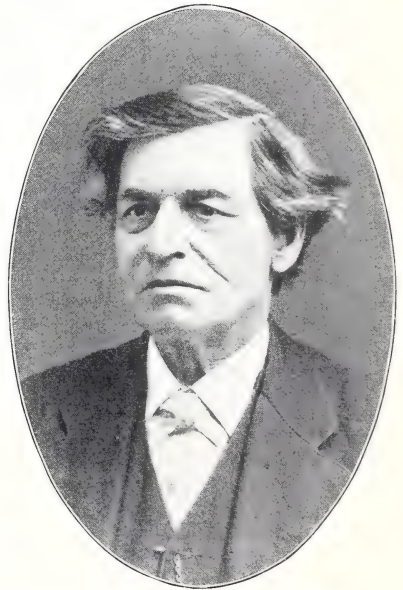
CAPTAIN JAMES RILEY AND WIFE, PIERRE MILLER  
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JAMES WATSON RILEY  
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REV. JAMES RILEY JOHNSON, D. D.  
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WILLIAM WILLSHIRE RILEY  
(See page 538)



suffered the hardships of slaves. The story is told by Capt. Riley in "Riley's Narrative," which produced a great excitement on its public appearance with its illustrations. He and four of his crew were redeemed by William Willshire, the English consul at Mogadore for \$1,200. On his return he repaid this amount and named the son born soon after his departure after the English consul. In 1818 he was a member of the convention that framed the Constitution of Conn. In 1821 he was located with his family at the rapids of St. Mary's River, Ohio, where he subsequently laid out a town which he named Willshire in honor of the stranger who had ransomed him. In connection with his oldest son, James Watson, they surveyed for the government all the northwest part of Ohio, and laid it out into counties and townships. In 1823-4, he represented Drake and Shelby counties in the legislature, and framed and introduced the bill which gave a public school system to Ohio.

In 1825, broken in health and longing for the sea, he moved his family to Brooklyn, N. Y., and went on a trading vessel to the West Indies. Later he resumed his commercial relations with the African free ports, France and Spain and died at sea, Mar. 13, 1840. She d. \_\_\_\_\_.

*Children:*

- 5 James Watson, b. Feb. 20, 1804.  
Amelia Ann, b. Sept. 24, 1807; m. Dr. William Murdoch of Urbana, O., d. July 29, 1881.  
Phoebe, b. Mar. 4, 1811; m. John Jay Beach.  
Horatio Sprague, b. Jan. 4, 1814.
- 6 William Willshire, b. May 3, 1815. See page 538.

4 Submit<sup>5</sup> Riley (Asher<sup>4</sup>, Nathaniel<sup>3</sup>, Isaac<sup>2</sup>, John<sup>1</sup>), b. Mar. 22, 1783, Upper Houses; m. Sept. 23, 1804, Ephraim<sup>7</sup> Johnson, b. 1782, Middletown, Conn.; d. July 8, 1846, Willshire, O. She d. Jan. 25, 1862, Lexington, O.

5 James Watson<sup>6</sup> Riley, b. Feb. 20, 1804, Upper Houses; m. Sept. 27, 1827, Mercer, O., Susan Gordon Ellis, b. Nov. 22, 1806, Fishkill, N. Y.; d. June 12, 1900, Celina, O., dau. of John Ellis and Katherine Kindsheimer. Lawyer, clerk of courts of Mercer Co. for twenty years, mem. Leg. 1843-4, I. O. O. F., Rep.; d. Jan. 1, 1870, Celina, O.

*Children:*

- William Willshire, b. Dec. 28, 1818; physician; m. Ruth Linzee. Five children.
- Calvin Erastus, b. Oct. 9, 1830; banker; m. (1) Gabriel P. Brandon. Seven children; res. Celina, O.

Amelia Ann, b. Aug. 16, 1832; m. William McMurray; d. Feb. 4, 1880. Six children.

James Watson, b. Sept. 8, 1834; private 1st Batt. N. Y. Sharpshooters; miller, mayor of Celina; m. Esther Evaline Mowry. Three children; res. Celina, O.

7 Susan Ellis, b. May 1, 1840; m. Eli M. Ashley. Mahalie Jane, b. Dec. 15, 1843; m. Alfred J. Hodder; lawyer. Two sons; res. Brookline, Mass.

7 Susan Ellis<sup>7</sup> Riley (James Watson<sup>6</sup>), b. May 1, 1840, Celina, O.; m. Oct. 15, 1861, Eli Melville Ashley, b. May 28, 1833, Portsmouth, O., son of Rev. John C. Ashley and Mary Kirkpatrick, the Ashley family being prominent in early days of Virginia.

Mr. Ashley was educated at the Western Ohio Liberal Institute, Portsmouth. From 1854-61, in drug trade in Toledo, O.; 1861-1874, chief clerk of the Surveyor General's office of the newly made Territory of Colorado; in 1885, organized the Western Chemical Works, pres. to 1894; in 1887, Pres. of Denver Chamber of Commerce; 1890, chairman of Rep. State Central Com.; 1890-2, Pres. of the Mfrs. Exchange, F. & A. M., S. A. R.

Mrs. Ashley on her marriage traveled with her husband 1,000 miles by stage to reach their new home in Denver; a founder of Denver's Orphans' Home, Denver's W. C. T. U., Denver Women's Club; active in estab. "State Home for Dependent Children," Lady Mgr. of the World's Columbian Exposition, chief of Women's Dept. Colorado World Fair Board; 1894, delegate to the first political State convention to admit women as members; 1895, Pres. of Colo. Fed. of Women's Clubs; D. A. R. through Hosea Miller of Upper Houses. Mrs. Ashley is a world traveler; res. Denver, Colorado. Four children.

8 James<sup>6</sup> Riley Johnson, D. D. (Submit<sup>5</sup> Riley), b. Jan. 30, 1818, in the first framed house erected in Mt. Vernon, O.; m. (1) Mar.

*Rev. James Riley Johnson*

20, 1839, Truxville, O., Nancy Bennett Hetherington, b. Nov. 15, 1820, Lycoming Co., Pa.; d. June 13, 1853, Lawrence, Mass., dau. of David Hetherington and Elizabeth Hough (dau. of John and Elizabeth Hough of Pa.); m. (2) Parasina R. Morse. His portrait at eighty-eight years of age is given herewith. He has been a Universalist clergyman for sixty-two years; was mem. Leg. of

Mass., 1854-5, F. & A. M., chaplain of Rockland Lodge at Nyack, which yearly honors him with golden showers on his birthday. He preached the funeral sermon of his cousin, William Willshire Riley, and spoke at reunion of 1907 of Society of M. U. H. Res. Nyack, N. Y.

*Children by first marriage:*

Caroline Almira, b. May 6, 1840; d. Feb. 5, 1843.

Henry Clay, b. Nov. 29, 1842; d. Feb. 6, 1846.

9 Julia Bennett, b. May 16, 1848; m. C. H. Dillaby.

*Children by second marriage:*

Alice Cary, b. Mar. 2, 1855; unm. Res. Nyack, N. Y.

Walter Scott, b. Aug. 18, 1856; m. Emma E. Pettibone. Res. Nyack, N. Y.

James Morse, b. Apr. 17, 1860; d. Feb. 4, 1872.

9 Julia Bennett<sup>7</sup> Johnson (Rev. James Riley Johnson), b. May 16, 1848, Victor, N. Y.; m. Oct. 15, 1867, Norwich, Conn., Charles Henry Dillaby (Charles, Philip), b. Nov. 1, 1833, Norwich, Conn.; d. Oct. 6, 1889, Norwich. Assistant postmaster eighteen years, tax collector thirteen years, Rep., Univ. The widow res. in Somerville, Mass.

*Children:*

Julian Riley, b. June 18, 1873; unm., political writer on Boston *Advertiser*.

Frank Henry, b. June 20, 1875; m. Oct. 25, 1905, Martha Day, b. Aug. 2, 1877, dau. of Marcellus and Mary J. Day, of Charlestown, Mass. Architect; res. Boston, Mass.

Charles Paine, b. Apr. 30, 1878; unm.; architectural draughtsman. Res. Somerville, Mass.

[JOHNSON LINEAGE—Thomas<sup>1</sup> Johnson, son of John of England, was in New Haven, 1635-6; drowned in the harbor, 1640; m. Helena ———, who m. (2) Arthur Bostwick of Stratford.

William<sup>2</sup> Johnson was one of the original proprietors of Wallingford, b. ———; d. 1716; m. Dec., 1664, Sarah Hare, dau. of John and Jane Hare.

Jacob<sup>3</sup> Johnson, b. Sept. 25, 1674; d. July 17, 1749; m. Dec. 14, 1693, Abigail Hitchcock, dau. of John Hitchcock and Abigail Merriman. He was serg. of Wallingford train band, deputy to the General Court, 1721, 1732, 1733, 1736. He m. (2) Dorcas Lindsey of Branford.

Reuben<sup>4</sup> Johnson, b. Aug. 27, 1694; m. Mar. 11, 1718, Mary Dayton Tuttle.

Ephraim<sup>5</sup> Johnson, b. —————; m. Dec. 1, 1754, Hannah Ward, dau. of Capt. Macock Ward and Hannah Tyler, and great-great-granddaughter of Andrew<sup>1</sup> Ward of Wethersfield and Fairfield.

Luther<sup>6</sup> Johnson, b. June 25, 1759, enlisted from Wallingford in 1776, as private in Capt. Bunnell's Co, 5th Battalion, Wadsworth's Brigade. Their son Ephraim<sup>7</sup> married Submit Riley.

Ephraim Johnson resided in Middletown, Conn., and Mt. Vernon, Lexington and Willshire, O. Two children were born in Upper Houses, six were born in Ohio. The fifth child was

James Riley<sup>6</sup> Johnson, b. Jan. 30, 1818.]

## THE SAGE FAMILY.

While the name of Sage is a familiar one in Wales, England and Scotland, there having been a Bishop Sage in the latter country, the first known of our David Sage is the following:

“Quarter Court in Hartford—1st Thursday in December, A. D. 1655.—Samuel Wells, plaintiff, contra John White, David Sage, Richard Warren, in an action of the case for debeyning of swyne not according to lawe, in the damage of 40 shillings.” The case was found for the defendants.

The next known of him is the following town meeting vote of May 30, 1663: Middletown, Conn.

“At the same town meeting was granted to David Sage a house lot on the other side the riverlet on the other side the highway beyond the corner of Goodman White his fence on the west side the highway to Hartford siding by Goodman Stocking lot. So much as may not prejudice the highway or out let of cattle which the inhabitants on that side shall determine and bound according to their discretion.” The bank building stands on this grant.

On May 23, 1664, there was recorded to David Sage for the above vote a grant of three acres “for a home lott” bounded north and east on the highway, west, common, now Thomas Stow’s, south Samuel Stocking. On Feb. 16, 1671, David Sage deeded it to John Kirby in exchange for a part of John Kirby’s homestead on what is “Pleasant” street.

On May 9, 1665, there had been recorded to David Sage a “12 square rods” piece of land “whereon his house standeth,” bounded E., Highway; W., John Kirby; S., John Wilcox; N., John Kirby.” An earlier vote showed that the town had appointed a committee to call on Mr. Sage and make him settle for thus trespassing on what was the “town pound.” On Feb. 3, 1671, John Kirby sold to him three acres, bounded, “S. Sage’s own land, E. Kirby, N. Stocking, W. common.” By a town grant the Sage homestead was extended back to include some of this “common,” or unappropriated land, so that at his death it consisted of eight and three-fourths acres,

This homestead descended by inheritance to Capt. and Deacon Solomon<sup>3</sup> Sage, who traded it with Daniel Stocking for the John

Clark homestead of twelve acres on Feb. 17, 1761. The Sage house must have stood where the "Daniel Stocking" house stands, now occupied by tenants, Arnold and Burns.

1 David Sage m. (1) Feb., 1664, Elizabeth<sup>2</sup> Kirby, b. Sept. 8, 1646, Hartford, (John<sup>1</sup>) and that explains why he took the "town pound" and built next to father Kirby. She d. "about the 23d year of her age." He m. (2) 1673, Mary<sup>3</sup> Wilcox (John<sup>2</sup>, John<sup>1</sup>), who lived next to him on the south side and d. Dec. 7, 1711. He d. Mar. 31, 1703. His headstone, seen herewith, and footstone, D. S., are in Riverside Cemetery, Middletown.

The main parts of his will dated Mar. 27, 1703, are:

"And first I give and bequeath to my eldest son, David, that lot whereon is the frame of a house called David's lot, and that one and one-half acre lot of boggy meadow which I bought of mother\*, and the one-fourth of my boggy meadow in Goose Delight, and my great wood-lot on the east side of great river.

"Item. I give my son John the lot whereon he hath built and doth now inhabit, with my upper lot at Pistol Point, where it butts on Scovil, and the one-fourth of my Goose Delight meadow, and my great wood lot next Wethersfield bounds.

"Item. My two daughters Bull and Johnson, thirty pounds in pay to each of them, to be paid at my widow's decease.

"Item. I give my daughter, Mercy, 50 pounds in pay—20 pounds paid as she needs it, the other 30 at her mother's decease.

"Item. The rest of my estate, personal and real, I leave with my wife, to be managed by my sons Jonathan and Timothy, so that she have a comfortable maintenance her natural life, and at her decease to be shared by said Jonathan and Timothy, debts and legacies paid. It is my will, further, that my son John should have my two lots in Round Meadow." His autograph

*David Sage senior*

to his will is shown here.

The inventory shows that the house at the "Neux" with fifty-seven and one-half acres, that went to John "whereon he lived," was valued at £214-07-06. The homestead of eight and three-fourths acres was valued at £52, barn £12, and "Mansion," £60. In addition he owned 722 acres. Jonathan and Timothy by agreement divided their inheritance, by which the homestead of eight and three-fourths acres on "Pleasant" street went to Timothy<sup>2</sup>, and in time to his son, Capt. and deacon Solomon<sup>3</sup>, who sold it in 1761 to Daniel Stocking.

\* Mrs. John Kirby, his first mother-in-law.

*Children by first marriage:*

- 2 David, b. Feb. 1, 1665.
- 3 Elizabeth, b. June 1, 1666; m. Ezekiel Bull.
- 4 John, b. Mar. 6, 1668.

*Children by second marriage:*

- 5 Mary, b. Nov. 15, 1672; m. Dea. Samuel Johnson.  
Jonathan, b. 1674; d. Dec. 16, 1712; m. Nov. 1, 1705, Hannah Bodwell. *Children:*  
Rachel, b. Jan. 1, 1708; m. Nathaniel<sup>3</sup> Ranney. (See the Ranney Family.)  
Jonathan, b. Aug. 28, 1711; m. Hannah Gibson, dau. of Deacon Samuel Gibson.
- 6 Timothy, b. Aug. 14, 1678.  
Nathaniel, b. 1680; d. without issue.  
Mercy, b. 1680. She departed this life in the Mass. Colony, Oct. 7, 1711. Her will recorded in Hartford makes gifts to brothers and sisters and gave the name of husband of her sister Elizabeth. She refers to a "little brass kettle" and other things in the keeping of her sister, Mary Johnson, the mother of the Rev. Samuel Johnson, D. D., first president of King's College, now Columbia University.

2 David<sup>2</sup> Sage, b. Feb. 1, 1665; m. May 3, 1693, Mary<sup>2</sup> Coultman (John<sup>1</sup> of Wethersfield), b. Nov. 29, 1672; d. Aug. 3, 1744, Wethersfield. His father built for him on the west side of the road to Hartford. He lost his mind, "a distracted person," and his homestead was bought by his brother Timothy. An account of this affair is recorded on the fly-leaf of the first account book of the Middletown church. The widow ret. to Wethersfield.

*Children:*

- Mary, b. May 8, 1694; m. Thomas Stedman. (See "Ancient Wethersfield.")
- Elizabeth, b. Oct. 26, 1695; m. Noah Waddams. (See "Ancient Wethersfield.")
- 3 Elizabeth, b. June 1, 1666; m. Ezekiel Bull of Rhode Island, grandson of Henry Bull, b. 1610, Eng. Lived in Boston, Mass., and Portsmouth and Newport, R. I.; a prominent man and Quaker, who d. Jan. 22, 1694, aged eighty-four, "the last man of the first settlers of R. I." The executors paid £124 to his grandsons, Jireh, Ephraim and Ezekiel. (See Austin's Dict. of R. I.)

4 John<sup>2</sup> Sage, b. Mar. 6, 1668; m. Jan. 10, 1693, Hannah Starr,  
b. Mar. 24, 1674, dau. of

*John Sage*

Comfort Starr and Rachel  
Harris of Middletown (see  
the Starr Genealogy). He  
settled in the Nuiks. The

inscription on his tablestone reads as follows:

"Here lies interred the body of Mr. John Sage, who departed this life Jan. ye 22, A. D. 1750-1, in the 83<sup>d</sup> year of his age. He left a virtuous and sorrowful wife, with whom he lived 57 years and had 15 children; 12 of them married and increased the family by repeated marriages to the number of 29. Of these 15 are alive. He had 120 grandchildren; 105 of them now living; 40 great grandchildren, 37 of them now living, which makes the number of offspring 189."

"Here lies interred the body of Mrs. Hannah Sage, once the virtuous consort of Mr. John Sage, who both are covered with this stone; and there have been added to the numerous offspring mentioned above, 44 by birth and marriage, which makes the whole number 233. She fell asleep September y<sup>e</sup> 28, A. D. 1753, in the 83<sup>d</sup> year of her age."

The original inscription was cut into a lead plate, which was stolen for use in making bullets, as was the one on the tablestone of the Rev. Joseph Smith. The present insert is of white marble and the inscription was cut by Theodore A.<sup>7</sup> Sage, b. 1845, Berlin, Conn. (Capt. William<sup>8</sup>, 1818, Col. Erastus<sup>5</sup>, 1783, Deacon Jedediah<sup>4</sup>, 1739, David<sup>3</sup>, 1703, John<sup>2</sup>, David<sup>1</sup>.)

*Of their children:*

Hannah, b. Dec. 21, 1694; m. Samuel Wilcox. (See the Wilcox Family.)

7 John<sup>3</sup>, b. Apr. 28, 1696.

7a David, b. 1703; m. Bathesheba Judd.

8 Ebenezer, b. Apr. 6, 1709.

Thankful, b. Feb. 9, 1717; m. Benjamin Butler. (See the Butler Family.)

5 Mary, b. Nob. 15, 1672; d. May 8, 1727; m. Nov. 7, 1694, Deacon Samuel Johnson of Guilford, Conn., b. June 5, 1670; d. 1727. They had eleven children. Their second:

*Child:*

Samuel, b. Oct. 14, 1696; d. Jan. 6, 1772, boarded here with



his Uncle Timothy Sage and studied with the Rev. Joseph Smith. He was known as the "Father of Episcopacy in New England," and was the first Pres. of King's Coll., now Columbia. His son:

William Samuel Johnson, was noted in the formation of the Constitution of the U. S. Descendants have been very distinguished.

6 Timothy<sup>2</sup> Sage, b. Aug. 14, 1678; m. Feb. 7, 1706, Margaret

*Timothy Sage*

Hurlbut (Holibert in town record), b. Feb., 1684. (See the Hurlbut Lineage, and for trouble about fence with Daniel<sup>2</sup> Stocking, see the Stocking Family). He inherited the homestead and d. Mar. 18, 1725, and has a headstone in Cromwell cemetery. Of their

*Children:*

Timothy<sup>3</sup>, b. Feb. 26, 1714; m. Mary Warner. *Children:*

Timothy<sup>4</sup>, b. 1743, had son Asa who m. Sarah Eells. Tombstone erected by Asa Sage Ranney.

Mary<sup>4</sup>, b. 1784; m. Calvin Ranney, whose only child was Asa Sage Ranney. (See the Ranney Family.)

12 Epaphras<sup>4</sup>, b. 1757.

David<sup>5</sup>, b. Mar. 28, 1718; m. Apr. 17, 1746, Sarah<sup>5</sup> Stocking, b. Jan. 24, 1728 (Steven<sup>4</sup>, George<sup>3</sup>, Dea. Samuel<sup>2</sup>, George<sup>1</sup>); rem. to East Middletown, where he was deacon for fifty-five years and d. 1803. *Child:*

Enoch<sup>4</sup>, b. 1752; m. Sybil Sage, b. May 27, 1753, dau. of John Sage and Ann Ranney. (See the Ranney Family.) He was del. in Constitutional Convention of 1818. *Child:*

Philip<sup>5</sup> Sage, b. Sept. 26, 1786; m. Vienna Penfield. Judge of Prob., U. S. Coll. of Customs, town clerk. *Child:*

Charles Henry<sup>6</sup> Sage, b. May 5, 1816; m. Eliza Hall; merchant, P. M., J. of P., Treas. Quarry Co. (See the Hall Family.) *Child:*

John Hall<sup>7</sup> Sage, b. Apr. 20, 1847; m. Sept. 16, 1880, Hartford, Conn., Agnes Farwell Kellogg, dau. of Elijah Chapman Kellogg and Harriet Isham. Mr. Sage was ed. in Portland and Bridgeport High Schools. Clerk in Aetna Life Ins. Co., banker since 1873, Fellow and Sec. of Am. Orni. Union, Fellow Am. Ass. Av. Sc., Bio.

Soc. of Washington, Conn. Hist. Soc. Great authority on Conn. birds; res. Portland, Conn.

*Child:*

Harriet Eliza<sup>8</sup>, b. Aug. 26, 1884.

9 Solomon<sup>3</sup>, b. Mar. 24, 1720.

10 Amos<sup>3</sup>, b. July 1, 1722.

7 John<sup>3</sup> Sage (John<sup>2</sup>, David<sup>1</sup>), b. Apr. 28, 1696; m. Jan. 13, 1717-18, Mary Hall (see the Hall Family). Of their

*Children:*

Hannah, b. Mar. 15, 1724-5; m. George<sup>4</sup> Ranney. (See the Ranney Family.)

John, b. Jan. 13, 1726-7; d. Jan. 12, 1805; m. Aug. 7, 1746, Ann Ranney, who d. Aug. 19, 1778. He built, 1761, the house now known as the Ranney-Adams mansion. (See the Ranney Family.) *Child:*

Reuben, b. 1748; m. Lucy Ranney (see the Ranney Family).  
Lewis Samuel, b. Mar. 10, 1728-9; m. Deborah Ranney, who d. Nov. 27, 1798 (see the Ranney Family). *Children:*

Willett M., b. 1756; d. of smallpox in Rev. War.

Lemuel, b. 1752; m. Lois Savage. Their dau. Harriet, b. 1791; m. Deacon Isaac Sage.

Giles, b. July 28, 1742; m. Ann Wright. Son, Orrin, b. 1787, founded Rochester Theo. Sem. Widow of Giles m. Hezekiah Ranney. She is buried in Rochester, N. Y. (See the Ranney Family.)

7a Capt. David<sup>3</sup> Sage, m. Bathsheba Judd, and rem. to East Berlin.

Sarah<sup>4</sup> Sage, m. Ebenezer Steele.

Josiah<sup>5</sup> Steele, m. Susanna Lewis.

Allen<sup>6</sup> Steele, m. Mrs. Lucy (Jerome) Hart.

Emma Hart<sup>7</sup> Steele, m. Marilla Richards.

Oliver Richards<sup>8</sup> Steele, b. Nov. 1, 1828, Newington, Conn.; m. Elizabeth Selden, b. May 7, 1830, Hadlyne, Conn.

Maria Olivia<sup>9</sup> Steele, b. Jan. 31, 1860; m. Michel Moracin Le Brun, b. Aug. 6, 1856. Architect; res. Montclair, N. J.

*Children:*

Olivia Adele<sup>10</sup>, b. July 14, 1893.

Pierre Napoleon, b. July 5, 1896.

Elizabeth Selden, b. Apr. 29, 1898.

8 Ebenezer<sup>3</sup> Sage, b. 1709, Upper Houses; d. Nov. 26, 1748,

Middletown; m. Oct. 22, 1730, Hannah Coleman, b. Sept., 1704, Wethersfield, Conn., dau. of Lt. John Coleman. In the settlement of the estate of Lt. John Coleman, Ebenezer Sage and his wife received £258.05s. Ebenezer was given by his father the homestead purchased for that purpose. He was a blacksmith. He sold the property in 1741 to Nathaniel Riley of Wethersfield, and rem. to Middletown, where he became a very prosperous merchant.

*Children:*

- 11 Comfort, b. Aug. 22, 1731.  
 Ebenezer, b. Apr. 30, 1734.  
 Martha, b. Aug. 19, 1736.  
 Lois, b. Feb. 20, 1743.

[COLEMAN LINEAGE—Thomas<sup>1</sup> Coleman, b. abt. 1600, in Evesham, Co. Worcester, England, was in Wethersfield in 1636, and was one of the dissatisfied ones who rem. to Hadley, Mass., where he d. Oct. 1, 1674. There is no record to tell who was his first wife. But a son was

John<sup>2</sup> Coleman, b. abt. 1635; d. Jan. 2, 1711, Hadley; m. May 29, 1663, Hannah Porter of Windsor, Conn., dau. of John Porter, who was killed by the Indians, Sept. 19, 1677.

Lieut. John<sup>3</sup> Coleman, b. 1669, Hadley, rem. to Wethersfield, where he was a large landholder by inheritance and purchase. He m. Apr. 24, 1695, Hannah Wright, b. 1670; d. 1708, dau. of James Wright.]

9 Solomon<sup>3</sup> Sage, b. Mar. 24, 1719-27; m. Apr. 25, 1745, Hannah<sup>4</sup> Kirby, b. Apr., 1723, Upper Houses. He inherited the David<sup>1</sup> Sage homestead and on Feb. 10, 1761, exchanged it with Daniel Stocking for the John Clark homestead. On Feb. 27, 1761, he sold the corner lot to John<sup>4</sup> Sage, who had m. Ann Ranney and on the same day sold to Comfort Butler, who had m. Sybil Ranney, the house (built, 1663, by Thomas Hubbard) and lot. And on this day he purchased of Willett<sup>4</sup> Ranney, the house built by Willett<sup>3</sup> Ranney on the farm known as "Timber Hill" farm, originally granted to Thomas<sup>1</sup> Ranney. He was appointed a deacon Jan. 26, 1775, and served until his death, June 7, 1795. He served in the French-Indian War and as Captain in the Rev. War. He took the census of Middletown Upper Houses as of the first Monday in Sept., 1776, as recorded in the historical part of this volume. A bronze marker of the S. A. R. is at his grave. His son, Capt. Simeon, a soldier of the Rev. Army, is buried in Sheffield,

Mass., close to the line of Salisbury, where he lived. Stephen, another soldier, rem. to Sandisfield, Mass. Rev. Seth was a Cong. clergyman.

*Of their other children:*

13 Solomon, b. Aug. 3, 1763.

10 Amos<sup>3</sup> Sage, b. July 1, 1722; m. Rebecca Wilcox. She d. \_\_\_\_\_, He d. \_\_\_\_\_, 1759.

His father had purchased of John<sup>2</sup> Ranney the latter's homestead when he rem. to East Middletown, and it was given to Amos. The house stood till a few years ago, next north of the residence of M. P. Walsh, and the John<sup>2</sup> Ranney descendants, coming to our reunions, have stood on the door stones imbedded in the ground. Amos was a shoemaker and a shoe last he used is in the keeping of the Walsh family. A daughter, Rebecca, m. Oct. 25, 1772, Asher Riley. Of the other

*Children:*

14 William<sup>4</sup>, b. 1748.

15 Nathan<sup>4</sup>, b. 1752.

16 Elisha<sup>4</sup>, b. 1755.

11 Gen. Comfort<sup>4</sup> Sage, b. Aug. 22, 1731, Upper Houses; m. Jan. 16, 1752, Sarah Hamlin, b. Aug. 3, 1730, Middletown, Conn., eldest child of Col. Jabez Hamlin and Mary Christophers. Col. Jabez Hamlin was the most prominent citizen of Middletown and the first Mayor of the City. Mary Christophers, b. Aug. 25, 1714, New London, was a dau. of the Hon. Christopher Christophers (descendant of Elder William Brewster) and Elizabeth Allen, dau. of Fitz-John Allen.

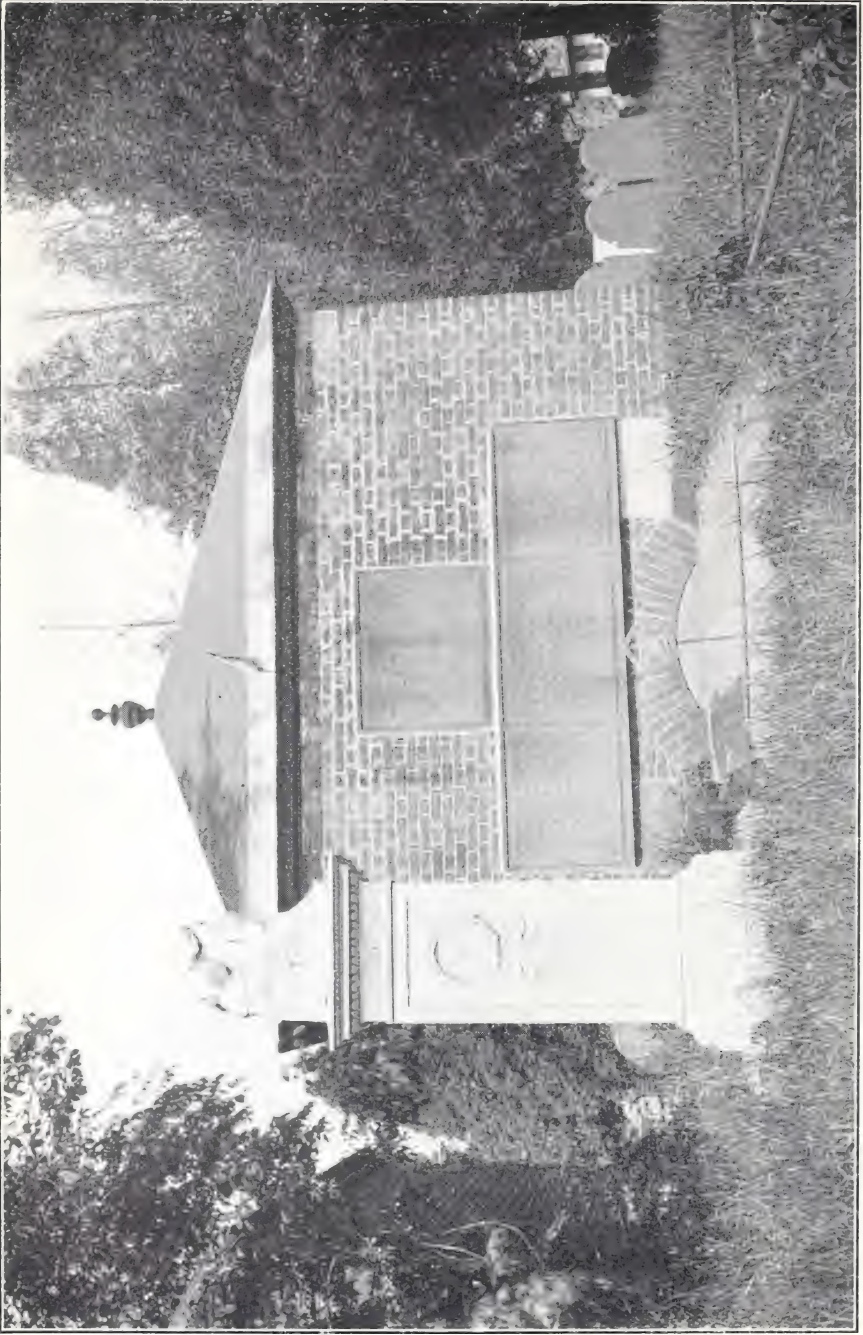
Gen. Comfort Sage was ten years of age when his father rem. to Middletown. He became a merchant, a man of great influence, owned a number of slaves, a justice of the peace, appointed quartermaster of the troop of horse in 6th Reg. Conn. Militia, May, 1757; Lieut., May, 1761; Capt., May, 1763. On the day after news was received of the battle of Lexington he marched his troop, including many from the Upper Houses, to Boston, uniformed and equipped; May 1, 1775, appointed Lt. Col. in Col. James Wadsworth's 23d Reg. Conn. Militia, which went to Boston and served to Mar., 1776; mem. General Assembly, May, 1776, and at that session was app. Lieut. Col., 3d Battalion, in Gen. Wadsworth's Conn. State Brigade, "ordered by this Assembly to be raised, and march directly to New York, and there join the Continental Army at that place." This brigade was composed of seven regiments, and joined the army at New York. The Conn. forces comprised a portion of



COL. COMFORT SAGE AND WIFE  
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THE HOME OF ELISHA SAGE  
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THE COMFORT SAGE FAMILY TOMB (See page 628)

Washington's army on Long Island, from August to October, 1776, the battle of Long Island, or Flushing, having been fought on Aug. 27. The retreat was to New York City and the regiment suffered, Sept. 15, in the retreat from the city. It was in the battle of White Plains, Oct. 28; it remained near by through November and the term of its enlistment expired Dec. 25, 1776. In Oct., 1776, he was app. Colonel of the 23d Reg. The following companies served under him in repelling the attack, July 5, 1777, of Gen. Tryon on New Haven; Capts. Timothy Clark, Solomon Sage,\* Nathaniel Gilbert,\* Jared Shepard,\* Amos Wetmore, Joseph Kellogg, Joseph Blague, Geo. Hubbard, Jabez Brooks, Jacob Wetmore, John Wetmore, George Phillips, Daniel Stewart and Daniel Clark. He was a member of the General Assembly, 1777 to 1786, with few exceptions. In 1784 he was appointed Brigadier General of the 2d Brigade and held the office until 1792. He d. late on Mar. 14, 1799, and was laid out on his bed. Mrs. Sage entered the room and lay down on the bed beside his corpse. One of the family going in later found her dead, supposedly of a broken heart. The text at the funeral of both was "David and Jonathan were lovely in their lives, and in their death they were not divided."

When Gen. Washington passed through Middletown enroute for Boston in 1789, Gen. Sage was too unwell to join those who escorted him. But Gen. Washington called on Gen. Sage at his home at the foot of Washington street. The chair in which Gen. Washington sat is now the property of Mr. Charles Eben Jackson. After Benedict Arnold's treachery and Eastern Connecticut became too warm even for his two little sons, they were sheltered and concealed for a time by Mrs. Comfort Sage. Mrs. Abigail (Sage) Hubbard often told of the night when Arnold was burned in effigy. Her mother, Mrs. Comfort Sage, had all the wooden window shutters closed so that the children should be kept in ignorance of the passing event. Years afterwards, when Mrs. Hubbard was residing in Montreal, one of these little boys, then a young man, called on her and expressed the deep gratitude he should ever feel for the kindly act the wife of the patriot, Comfort Sage (see the Giles Hamlin Genealogy).

*Children:*

Mary, b. Jan. 30, 1753; m. Edward Hallam.

Ebenezer, b. May 22, 1754.

Sarah, b. Jan. 14, 1756; m. Maj. Samuel Johnston.

Jabez, b. Dec. 28, 1757; d. at Horse Neck in Rev. Army.

Child, b. Apr. 14, 1758.

Michael, b. July 24, 1759; d. on prison ship in Rev. War.

\* From Upper Houses.

Esther, b. June 14, 1761; d. Sept. 17, 1762.

Esther, b. Apr. 5, 1763; m. Dr. Stephen Ranney. (See the Rannéy Family.)

Geo. Hamlin, b. Jan. 23, 1765; d. unm.

Comfort, b. Feb. 3, 1767; d. Feb. 3, 1786.

Hannah, b. Jan. 28, 1769; m. Gurdon Saltonstall.

Christopher, b. Sept. 19, 1771; d. unm.

17 Abigail<sup>5</sup>, b. Sept. 5, 1774; m. Elizur Hubbard.

12 Epaphras<sup>4</sup> Sage, bapt. Oct. 16, 1757; d. May 28, 1834; m. Sept. 30, 1779, Elizabeth Welles<sup>5</sup> Ranney, dau. of Fletcher<sup>4</sup> Ranney. (See the Ranney Family.) She was named after her maternal ancestor, Governor Thomas Welles. He was a Rev. soldier, and built in 1800 the fine mansion in the Nooks owned and occupied by his grandson, Charles P. Sage and which was burned in 1905. His pension papers show he enlisted five times, serving three times under Capt. Jared Shepard, once under Capt. Joseph Blague and once under Capt. Amos Wetmore. He was in the battles of Stillwater, Sept. 19 and Oct. 7, 1777. Later he served as Ensign, Lieut., and Captain of Militia.

*Of their children:*

18 Justus<sup>5</sup>, b. 1782.

Epaphras, b. 1793; m. Salome Goodrich. *Children:* Charles P., and Henry L., res. in Cromwell.

13 Solomon<sup>4</sup> Sage, b. Aug. 3, 1762; d. 1823; m. June 27, 1788, Anna Williams (John, Jehiel), bapt. Sept. 19, 1762.

*Child:*

Ezra<sup>5</sup> Sage, b. 1796; m. (1) Bathsheba M. Wilcox; m. (2)

Emeline Belden. *Their son:*

John Newell<sup>6</sup>, b. June, 1837; m. Feb. 5, 1860, Elizabeth A. Robinson. He served in 24th Reg. Conn. Vols. and d. Feb. 12, 1865. *Child:*

Dr. Frederick H.<sup>6</sup> Sage, b. Apr. 25, 1861; m. June 5, 1889, Bessie B. Ackley. Physician; res. Middletown, Conn. *Children:*

Herbert Ackley, b. Aug. 25, 1891.

Newell R., b. June 11, 1893.

14 Capt. William<sup>4</sup> Sage, bapt. Jan. 1, 1749; d. Nov. 8, 1833; m. (1) Bathsheba Hollister, who d. Apr. 17, 1792; m. (2) Mar. 21, 1793, Abigail Eells, widow of William White, previously widow of





CAPT. NATHAN SAGE AND WIFE, HULDAH RANNEY  
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ORRIN SAGE AT 80 (see page 633)



THE HOUSE OF CAPT. WILLIAM SAGE (see page 630)

Jonathan Stow, and dau. of John Eells, cousin of Rev. Edward Eells. (See the Eells Family.) She d. Jan. 19, 1831. Capt. Sage built the "Footit" House. He early served in the Rev. War, was made ensign Oct. 11, 1781. "This assembly do establish William Sage to be Ensign of the 2d Company or Train band in the 23d Regiment in this State."—*Conn. State Journal*, page 11, and acquired the title of captain by reason of later service in the militia. A bronze marker of the S. A. R. is at his grave.

*Children:*

- William, b. 1768, grandfather of Henry W. Sage, benefactor of Cornell Uni., as also were his sons Dean and William H., the latter now at the head of Albany Trust Co.  
 Betsy, b. 1769; m. Gideon Butler. (See the Butler Family.)  
 Josiah, b. 1770; m. Sarah Savage. He was known as "Col." Postmaster and local merchant.  
 Clarissa, b. 1785; m. Capt. James Butler. (See the Butler Family.)  
 Isaac, b. 1786, deacon; m. Harriet Sage. Had seven daughters, of which Jane E. m. Rev. E. J. Doolittle. (See the Doolittle Family.)
- 19 Orrin, b. Jan. 17, 1791.  
 Susan, b. Mar. 28, 1796; m. Jacob White. (See the White Family.)

15 Capt. Nathan Sage, bapt. Aug. 23, 1752; m. Dec. 24, 1772,

*Nathan Sage*

Huldah<sup>4</sup> Ranney (Joseph<sup>3</sup>, Joseph<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>). In 1772 he purchased the homestead of John<sup>1</sup> Savage and sold it in 1776 when he purchased the house built for Rev. Joseph

Smith with land extending to the river. He was a shipbuilder, a sea captain, and a slave holder. He was active in the Revolutionary War, commanding the *Hunter* and the *Middletown*, capturing a British powder ship, which feat was put into verse by the late William Willshire Riley. He also kept a tavern, and the inside door, with the upper half of glass and on hinges, shows the arrangements of that day for the comfort of the thirsty. In 1795 he was unfortunate, as other patriots had been, and lost his property. He went to Central New York for the Holland Land Company, settling in Redfield, where he was made a judge. Then he became collector of U. S. customs at Oswego, N. Y., and held the position for many years and until his death. He had buried two

sons here. His daughter, Huldah, b. 1778; m. (1) Apr. 18, 1797, Normand Knox, a bank president of Hartford; m. (2) Russell Bunce, grandfather of the late Admiral Bunce, U. S. N. No children. She erected the tombstones for her parents in Oswego, N. Y.

16 Elisha Sage, bapt. Aug. 31, 1755; d. May 30, 1801; m. June 27, 1776, Martha Montague. (See the Montague Lineage.)

He served in the Rev. Army and a bronze marker of the S. A. R. is at his grave. He was a mason, built some of the bridges between here and Hartford. He had the contract for building the exterior walls of the old State House at Hartford, now the City Hall. In 1802 his widow petitioned the General Court to be relieved of the charges made by reason of his having failed to complete his contract on time, alleging that the materials were not promptly furnished. It has been ascertained very recently that Bulfinch was the architect. Nothing further is known of the details than these slight ones, concerning this ancient, 1793, edifice. In 1798 Elisha Sage was sued by the church for \$15 pew rent; the papers, however, do not show the result of this effort to collect. She d. Mar. 1, 1839, aged 81.

*Children:*

20 Rufus, b. 1777.

Elisha, b. 1779; d. 1854; m. Prudence Risley of E. Hartford.

Four sons and two daughters were born here. Russell Sage, lately deceased, was born 1816, a few weeks after the family reached their new home in New York.

21 Barzillai, bapt. Aug. 25, 1782.

17 Abigail<sup>5</sup> Sage, b. Sept. 5, 1774, Middletown, Conn.; m. Oct. 7, 1801, Elizur Hubbard, b. Jan. 4, 1775, Tolland, Conn.; lawyer, rem. to Claremont, N. H., abt. 1784; later to Windsor, Vt.; to Montreal, Can., in 1815. Became a judge in Arkansas. He d. of yellow fever at Davidsonville, Ark., Sept. 16, 1819. Widow ret. to Middletown, where she d. Aug. 3, 1864. She often related seeing Lafayette when he visited Middletown.

*Of their children:*

22 Hannah Saltonstall<sup>6</sup>, b. Feb. 3, 1815.

18 Justus<sup>5</sup> Sage, b. 1782; m. Mary<sup>6</sup> Kirby, b. Dec. 26, 1787, Upper Houses. He was a sea captain in the China trade. (See the Kirby Family.)

*Children:*

Elizabeth<sup>6</sup>, b. Jan. 26, 1810; m. Smith Birdsey of Middlefield. *Children:*

Mary Ann, b. June 29, 1844; d. unm. Aug. 1, 1880. Studied at Mt. Holyoke Sem., and at time of her death was prin. of a Middletown City school.

Esther Coe, b. June 14, 1848; m. Henry E. Wilcox, of East Berlin. (See Wilcox Family.)

Justus Kirby<sup>6</sup>, b. Oct. 24, 1814; d. June 2, 1886; m. May 12, 1837, Elizabeth Jane Pratt, b. Apr. 8, 1818; d. July 4, 1906, dau. of Jonathan Pratt. *Children:*

Mary Kirby<sup>7</sup>, b. May 12, 1838; res. Cromwell, Conn.

Ann Elizabeth<sup>7</sup>, b. Jan. 22, 1842; m. July 17, 1866, George Watson Burr, of Middletown, b. Apr. 12, 1816; d. Jan. 12, 1894, son of George Burr and Esther Lyman of Haddam, Conn. *Children:*

Ann May<sup>8</sup>, b. Apr. 15, 1871; m. Apr. 25, 1894, Waters B. Day; grad. Wesleyan Univ.; res. Newark, N. J.  
George Brainerd<sup>8</sup>, b. Aug. 7, 1876.

19 Orrin Sage, b. Jan. 17, 1791, Upper Houses; m. May 4, 1817, Blandford, Mass., Ruth Pease, b. Sept. 23, 1789, Blandford, dau. of Abner Pease and Chloe Viets. She d. Dec. 10, 1858, Ware, Mass. He m. (2) Aug. 21, 1860, Cynthia Jenks, b. Jan. 29, 1818, Spencer, Mass. She d. Nov. 30, 1902, Spencer, Mass. He d. June 23, 1875, Ware, Mass. The following biographical notice of Mr. Orrin Sage was found in the journal of Mr. Stillman King Wightman, whose wife's mother was a sister of Mrs. Orrin Sage.

Mr. Orrin Sage, who died at Ware, Mass., June 23d, at the ripe age of eighty-four, was born in Middletown, Ct., Jan. 17, 1791. And was the youngest son, and last survivor of fourteen children of William Sage, a native of the same place, a soldier of the Revolutionary War.

His mother, Bathsheba (Hollister), died when he was but seven months old and he was cared for by his sisters, Goodrich and Clarissa Butler.

Before he was twenty-one years, the Hinsdales of Middletown, started him in business as a merchant in Blandford, Mass. And in 1814 he became sole proprietor, which business he continued until 1848.

He started many young men in trade, furnishing capital, which gave profitable results. One such partnership near Rochester continued for thirty years.

He represented the town of Blandford in the legislature for 1831-

1832 and 1834. And was senator from Hampden Co. in the years 1836 and 1837.

Mr. Sage removed to Ware in 1848 and became President of the Bank in that place, and held the office until 1865.

His taste for agriculture & horticulture afforded him agreeable employment in the evening of life.

He was modest and retiring in his nature, quiet and unpretending in his habits.

He united with the Congregational church in Blandford in 1822 and took a leading part in the erection of a new church building and the support of the Gospel and in various benevolent objects. When he left Blandford he gave a fund of one thousand dollars to the Congregational Society, and afterwards bought and presented them a parsonage.

To the town of Ware he gave a beautiful lot of twenty-five acres for a cemetery, and has provided for its care.

To Williams College he gave some years ago a scholarship of one thousand dollars, and more recently a fund of thirty thousand to endow a professorship of history and political economy.

To the town of Osage, County Seat of Mitchell Co., Iowa, of which he was one of the founders and which was named for him, he gave nearly seven hundred acres of land, to establish a public library, and has erected a handsome brick building for its use.

For more than fifty years, he was a constant and increasingly liberal giver to the American Board of Foreign Missions. While the Home Missions and the American Missionary Societies and other benevolent objects have shared his liberality.

*Children:*

Harriet Newell, b. 1818; d. 1899; m. William Hyde. *Children:*

William Sage Hyde, m. Susan E. Pitt. *Children:*

Susan Bull, b. 1861; m. F. E. Hawks.

Lucy Ruth, b. 1864; m. Henry K. Hyde; res. Ware, Mass. *Children:* Harriet Sylvia, Ruth, Henry Sage.

Elizabeth, b. 1872; d. 1892.

Sylvia Sage, b. 1877.

Theodore, b. 1839; d. 1844.

Harriet Sylvia, b. 1845; unm.; res. Ware, Mass.

Sarah Ruth, b. 1826; unm. Res. Ware, Mass.

20 Rufus<sup>5</sup> Sage, b. ————, 1777; d. 1826; was for years a deacon; m. ————, Jerusha Butler.

*Child*

Elisha L.<sup>6</sup> Sage, b. Mar. 31, 1809; m. Jan., 1829, Elizabeth B. Hubbard of Upper Houses. Compiler of the Sage Genealogy. The moving spirit in renovating the old cemetery about 1880; d. Dec. 2, 1883. *Child*:

Elisha Thomas<sup>7</sup>, b. Mar. 31, 1843; m. Aug. 14, 1865, Martha M. Waterman. Served in 1863-65 in 6th Regt. Conn. Vols. His wife's father and five of his brothers served in the Rev. Army. She is descended from Richard Waterman of Plymouth, Eng. and John Stevens of Eng.; res. Middletown. *Children living*:

Alice, b. Nov. 9, 1871.

Anne, b. Oct. 21, 1878.

21 Barzillai<sup>5</sup> Sage, b. Aug. 25, 1782; m. —————, Eunice Doud, descendant of Deacon Henry Doud, who settled at Guilford with company of Rev. Henry Whitfield in 1639. He rem. to Newfield street, Lower Middletown, where he d. 1854. Had ten sons and two daughters. Of these:

*Children:*

Barzillai Doud<sup>6</sup>, b. ———, 1806; d. 1853; m. May 20, 1831, Elizabeth P. Yale, descendant of Thomas Yale, a founder of New Haven, and Mary Turner (Capt. Nathaniel of Mass. Bay Colony). *Children*:

Charlotte Elizabeth, b. Oct. 14, 1834; m. Daniel B. Hubbard; she res. Middletown, Conn.

Ira Yale<sup>7</sup> Sage, b. Apr. 4, 1848, Middletown; m. Jan. 3, 1871, Margaret Alexander, of the Alexanders of N. C., and Byrds of Va. State Regent D. A. R. of Ga. Soc., Col. Dames, V. P. of Ga. Soc. He is civil engineer, on railway construction and management; res. Atlanta, Ga. *Children*:

Ira Yale<sup>8</sup>, Jr., b. Dec. 15, 1875; m. Aug. 2, 1901, Atlanta, Ga., Elizabeth Tante, b. 1883, dau. of Samuel Tante and Emma Norvelle, atty.-at-law; res. Atlanta, Ga. *Child*:

Ira Yale, 3rd, b. Aug. 15, 1902.

Herbert Alexander, b. Apr. 9, 1881; attorney-at-law. Res. Atlanta, Ga.

Dennis<sup>6</sup>, b. Aug., 1817, Middletown, Conn.; d. July, 1897, East Milton, Mass.; m. Dec. 31, 1862, Lucy Weldon Rogers, 2d dau. of William Rogers, of Hartford, Conn.,

introducer of electro-silver plating in the U. S., and  
Nancy Wilson, of N. Y. *Children:*

Katherine<sup>r</sup>, b. 1864.

Charles Dennis, b. 1866.

Ernest Lincoln, b. 1868.

Isabel, b. Aug. 13, 1872, Wollaston, Mass.; m. Oct. 10, 1894,  
Frederick K. Sloan, son of James O. Sloan and Aurelia  
Treat; res. Hartford, Conn.

22 Hannah Saltonstall<sup>e</sup> Hubbard, b. Feb. 3, 1815, Windsor,  
Vt.; m. Sept. 1, 1840, Middletown, Conn., Hon. Ebenezer Jack-  
son, b. Jan. 31, 1796, Savannah, Ga.; d. Aug. 17, 1874, Middle-  
town, Conn., son of Ebenezer Jackson and Charlotte Fenwick.  
Lawyer, settling in Middletown; mem. Congress, 1834-5; Epis.;  
one of the most distinguished citizens of Middletown. In 1856 he  
introduced Hon. Edward Everett, when delivering his famous ora-  
tion on Washington, in aid of the effort to purchase Mount Vernon.  
They were equally noted for their personal appearance on that  
occasion. The widow d. Sept. 21, 1903, at Middletown, Conn.

*Children:*

Mary Selina, b. Aug. 8, 1841.

23 Eliza Anne, b. July 11, 1843; m. Rev. J. W. Bradin, Jr.

24 Robert Nesmith, b. Mar. 11, 1845.

Sophie Hamlin, b. Mar. 30, 1847; d. unm., Mar. 10, 1877.

25 Charles Eben, b. Jan. 25, 1849.

Katherine Frances, b. Mar. 30, 1851; unm.

Margaret Ellen, b. Jan. 25, 1853; unm.

23 Eliza Anne<sup>r</sup> Jackson, b. July 11, 1843, Middletown, Conn.;  
d. Sept. 18, 1888; m. June 25, 1872, the Rev. James Watson  
Bradin, b. Aug. 27, 1847, son of the Rev. James Watson Bradin.  
D. D. and Imogene Muzzy. Grad. Trinity Coll., Berkeley Div.  
School; rector, Flatbush, L. I., until 1882, since then rector of  
St. John's, Hartford, Conn.

*Children:*

Selina Fenwick, b. Oct. 10, 1873.

Imogene Muzzy, b. Sept. 16, 1875.

Sophie Jackson, b. Jan. 30, 1877.

James Watson, b. May 21, 1878.

Annie Saltonstall, b. Aug. 24, 1879.

Percival Hawtree, b. Aug. 31, 1881.

Isabel T. Black, b. Sept. 30, 1887.



24 Robert Nesmith<sup>r</sup>. Jackson (brother of Eliza Anne), b. Mar. 11, 1845, Paris, France; m. June 1, 1871, Terre Haute, Ind., Sarah Ewing Law, b. Dec. 15, 1851, dau. of Commodore Richard L. Law and Mary Ewing Farrington. Banker, Ind. Rep., Pres. Middlesex Banking Co., since 1875, Epis.; res. Middletown, Conn.

*Children:*

Eben, b. Feb. 23, 1877.  
 Meta Kemble, b. July 22, 1880.  
 Ruth Parker, b. Aug. 28, 1881.  
 Richard Law, b. Jan. 21, 1889.

25 Charles Eben<sup>r</sup> Jackson, b. Jan. 25, 1849, Middletown, Conn.; m. June 12, 1873, St. John's Epis. ch., Stamford, Conn., Evelyn Quintard, b. Feb. 12, 1852, N. Y., dau. of Edward Augustus Quintard and Mary Matilda Gillespie. Banker, Pres. The Jackson Company, V. P. the Middlesex Banking Co., Treas. of the Berkeley Divinity School, Rep., mem. Mass. Soc. Cincinnati, Epis.; res. Middletown, Conn.

*Children:*

Charles Eben, b. Apr. 22, 1874; d. Aug. 15, 1877.  
 Edward Quintard, b. July 5, 1875; banker, Middletown, Conn.  
 Robert Fenwick, b. Dec. 18, 1877; grad. 1900, West Point U. S. Mil. Acad. Retired 1st Lieut. U. S. A.  
 John Gillespie, b. Feb. 12, 1880; att.-at-law; res. N. Y. City.  
 Evelyn Quintard, b. Feb. 28, 1882.  
 William Leigh Pierce, b. Dec. 18, 1887.  
 Winthrop Alsop, b. Mar. 10, 1889.

*Solomon Sage*

## THE SAVAGE FAMILY.

According to Mr. James Francis Savage, of Lowell, Mass., who published "The Family of John Savage of Middletown, Conn., 1652," there is no knowledge of him antecedent to the Hartford record which reads, "John Savage of Hartford was married to Elizabeth Dubbin y<sup>e</sup> tenth day of febr: one thousand six hundred and fifty two." In the Middletown Land Records and Family Records the name of his wife is given as Dublin. In 1707 John Dublin petitioned the General Assembly of Rhode Island that he might receive some allowance for the shot he received in his head while engaged with Col. John Wanton, in the capture of French privateers. He was granted a pension for the term of his natural life. That he may have been a nephew of Mrs. John Savage is the conclusion of Mr. James Francis Savage.

1 John<sup>1</sup> Savage was "mayd free" May 18, 1654, by the Great and General Court, at which time he had built his house in Middletown Upper Houses on the lot at the corner as indicated in the 1675 map. His homestead of three acres was the nearest to lower Middletown. When William Blomfield left the settlement Mr. Savage became the proprietor of his house and lot, the Martin homestead intervening. He soon extended his possessions to the adjoining lands, and received grants in various localities so that in 1674 he possessed 1207 acres, of which 441 acres were on the east side of the Connecticut river. His name is seventh in the list of members who organized the church on Sept. 4, 1668. He was one of the three Townsmen in 1667, and held the rank of



Sergeant in the "traine band." His will, recorded in Hartford, shows that he died Mar. 6, 1684-5, and is signed with this autograph: and is dated November 22, 1684. He gave the "Dwelling hous & hom lott" and other property, during her natural life, to his "Louing wife Elizabeth Saue dg"; made valuable bequests to his sons, John, William and Nathaniel, the homestead going to the latter after his mother's death, and provided that certain pieces of property and his household goods "be Left in my Louing Wive's

hands to Dispose of to all my Daughters according to her best Descretion & the advice of my overseers notwithstanding my will is which was before forgot that my two Coultts if they come to hand be the biggest to William & the youngest to Nathanill and to poses them as sone as they can find them." The will is in the hand-writing of Nathaniel White, and it was witnessed by him and by Samuel Hall, who resided across the street. The inventory was taken by Giles Hamlin, Sergeant William Ward and Nathaniel White and to it is added:

Legatees of John Sauadge deceased

- 2 John son to John Sauedge 33 years old.
- 3 Wm son to John Sauedge 17 years old.
- 3a Nathaniel son to John Sauedge 14 years old.
- Elizabeth, daughter to John Sauedge 30 years old.
- Sarah, daughter to John Sauedge 28 years old.
- Mary, daughter to John Sauedge 27 years old.
- Abigail, daughter to John Sauedge 19 years old.
- Rachel, daughter to John Sauedge 12 years old.
- Hanna, daughter to John Sauedge 9 years old.

Of these children Elizabeth married Nathaniel<sup>3</sup> White (Capt. Nathaniel<sup>2</sup>, Elder John<sup>1</sup>); Sarah m. Israel<sup>3</sup> Wilcox (John<sup>2</sup>, John<sup>1</sup>); Rachel m. William<sup>4</sup> Goodrich, whose brother Charles taught school here; Abigail m. Edward Shepard. (See White, Wilcox, Shepard Families.)

2 John<sup>2</sup> Savage (John<sup>1</sup>), b. Dec. 2, 1652, Upper Houses; m. May 30, 1682, Mary<sup>2</sup> Ranney (Thomas<sup>1</sup>). He was made captain of the north train band, 1711, on the death of Capt. Nathaniel White. He d. Oct. 30, 1726; she d. Aug. 19, 1734. Their tombstones are in the old cemetery. Among his children were:

4 Thomas, b. Aug. 21, 1684.

Mary, b. Feb. 11, 1690-1; m. Sept. 22, 1709, David Hurlbut, b. Aug. 11, 1688, son of John and Mary (Deming) Hurlbut of Middletown. He was the first blacksmith in Upper Houses, was given a four-acre lot in the "common" and rem. to East Middletown in 1734. (See Hurlbut, Hulburt Lineage.)

William, b. July, 1693.

Elizabeth, b. July, 1696; m. Sept. 9, 1725, Andrew<sup>4</sup> Cornwall (Wm.<sup>3</sup>, \_\_\_\_\_<sup>2</sup>, \_\_\_\_\_<sup>1</sup>); she d. Mar. 21, 1847. (See Cornwall Genealogy.)

Sarah, b. Sept., 1700; m. June 2, 1726, her first cousin, William Savage.

Mercy, b. Apr. 10, 1706; m. Mar. 1, 1726-7, George<sup>3</sup> Stocking (George<sup>2</sup>, Samuel<sup>1</sup>).

3 William<sup>2</sup> Savage (John<sup>1</sup>), b. Apr. 26, 1668, Upper Houses; m. (1) May 6, 1696, Christian Mould, b. ————, 1677, dau. of Hugh and Martha (Coit) Mould of New London. She d. Oct. 16, 1719, and he m. (2) Nov., 1726, Elizabeth (Whitmore), widow of Daniel<sup>3</sup> Clark. He d. Jan. 25, 1726-7, and she m. ———— Williams and d. Jan. 31, 1743. He was captain of the north company, 1719, deputy to the General Assembly, 1715-26, and deacon, 1716. His tombstone is in the old cemetery.

*Children:*

Martha, b. June 10, 1697; m. (1) Jacob White; m. (2) Jonathan Riley; m. (3) Capt. Samuel Parker of Coventry.

5 William, b. Sept. 18, 1699.

Christian, b. May 7, 1702; m. Jan. 10, 1732-3, as his second wife, Lieut. Samuel Shepard.

Hannah, b. Nov. 21, 1704; m. William Savage.

6 Joseph, b. Sept. 21, 1711.

3a Nathaniel<sup>2</sup> Savage (John<sup>1</sup>), b. May 7, 1671, Upper Houses; m. Dec. 3, 1696, Esther<sup>2</sup> Ranney (Thomas<sup>1</sup>). He sold the homestead in 1709 to Lieut. Samuel Frary of Wethersfield, who occupied it for fifty years. He rem. to East Middletown, 1709, where he helped to organize a Society and Church. In 1725 was Lieut. of the east train band. He d. Jan. 4, 1734-5; she d. Apr. 16, 1759, and both have monuments there. There were nine children.

4 Thomas<sup>3</sup> Savage (John<sup>2</sup>, John<sup>1</sup>), b. Aug. 21, 1684, Upper Houses; m. Mar. 21, 1710-11, Mary Goodwin, b. Dec. 8, 1685, dau. of William and Elizabeth (Shepard) Goodwin, of Hartford. He gave his sons John, Thomas, and Ebenezer landed estates "in consideration of paternal love and affection." He was a Sergeant and d. Mar. 13, 1755; she d. June 3, 1758. Some

*Of their children:*

John, b. Feb. 28, 1712-13; rem. to "n. w. quarter," now Berlin. Had six children, of which Nathaniel returned to Upper Houses, was a Rev. soldier and has headstone in old cemetery. His descendants reside in Cromwell.

Thomas, b. Dec. 15, 1714; m. Martha Whitmore; rem. to Washington, Ct., thence to Hartford, Vt., where he d. Oct. 11, 1798. Was a Rev. soldier.

7 Ebenezer, b. Feb. 26, 1718-9.

Samuel, b. 1722-3; m. Oct. 13, 1748, Sarah<sup>4</sup> Kirby (John<sup>3</sup>, Joseph<sup>2</sup>, John<sup>1</sup>), b. July 19, 1726; was a Rev. soldier. Has headstone here. He d. Dec. 27, 1779. She d. Aug. 3, 1786. Had ten children, of whom the ninth was

Hannah<sup>5</sup>, b. May 4, 1765. She m. June 3, 1784, Capt. Richard<sup>6</sup> Treat; bapt. Nov. 18, 1762, East Hartford, Ct. (Stephen<sup>5</sup>, Henry<sup>4</sup>, Matthias<sup>3</sup>, Henry<sup>2</sup>, Matthias<sup>1</sup>). (See 1675 map of Upper Houses.) She d. Aug. 23, 1829. He d. Nov. 11, 1823. *Child:*

Elizabeth<sup>6</sup> Treat, b. Mar. 16, 1786; m. May 10, 1810, Dr. Eli Hall, b. Oct. 8, 1785 (M. D. from Yale). Rem. to Blandford, Mass. *Child:*

Almera Sophia<sup>7</sup> Hall, b. Sept. 26, 1829; m. Sept. 11, 1850, Henry Erastus Woodruff; b. Sept. 12, 1828.

Lucy Cecile<sup>8</sup> Woodruff, b. July 28, 1851, E. Hartford, Ct.; m. Nov. 25, 1885, Alfred Lyman Holman, desc. of John<sup>1</sup> Holman, Gent., Dorchester, Mass., 1632. Res. Chicago, Ill. *Children:*

Cecile Alexandrine, b. Aug. 30, 1886; Doris Elizabeth, b. July 10, 1888.

5 William<sup>3</sup> Savage (William<sup>2</sup>, John<sup>1</sup>), b. Sept. 18, 1699, Upper Houses; m. June 26, 1726, Sarah<sup>3</sup> Savage (John<sup>3</sup>, John<sup>1</sup>). He was a deacon here and d. Apr. 15, 1774. She d. Aug. 10, 1780. Some

*Of their children:*

William, m. Martha Gibson, who d. Mar. 15, 1813. He d. Oct. 24, 1809. Eleven children rem. to Sandisfield, Mass.

Elisha, b. Dec. 9, 1728, Upper Houses; m. May 6, 1755, Thankful Johnson, b. July 5, 1735, dau. of Thomas and Susanna (White) Johnson. He was Lieut. in Rev. War, and d. Jan. 24, 1807, in Berlin. Of their eleven children several served in Rev. War.

Jonathan, b. July 12, 1731, Upper Houses; m. Elizabeth Ranney.

Amos, b. Sept. 25, 1733, Upper Houses; m. June 2, 1757, Sarah Montague, b. May 10, 1736, Wethersfield, Ct., dau. of Richard and Abigail (Camp) Montague. He served in the French-Indian War, where he lost his powder-horn. He was in the Rev. War. He d. Feb. 4, 1783, and has a

- monument here. Had ten children, some of whom served in Rev. War. Has headstone in the old cemetery.
- Josiah, b. Oct. 17, 1735, Upper Houses; m. July 13, 1758, Sarah<sup>5</sup> Stow, b. Aug. 10, 1737 (Joseph<sup>4</sup>, Thomas<sup>3</sup>, Jr.). Was in French-Indian War; Ensign and Captain, in 23d Regt., 1781. He d. July 6, 1804. She Dec. 16, 1819, aged 83. *Children:*
- Luther, bapt. Apr. 8, 1759; m. Dec. 13, 1781, Jerusha Smith (Capt. Abner). Rev. soldier. Rem. to Hartford.
- 10 Josiah, bapt. Jan. 11, 1761.  
Rebecca, bapt. Dec. 17, 1762; m. Richard Dowd.  
Edward, bapt. Feb. 3, 1765; d. Oct. 10, 1776.  
Giles, bapt. May 3, 1767; m. Olive Smith.
- 11 Timothy, b. Jan. 24, 1769.  
Persis, bapt. Jan. 27, 1771.  
Sarah, b. June 6, 1773; m. Col. Josiah Sage.  
5 William, b. 1775; m. Hannah Rhodes.  
Stephen, b. Oct. 26, 1737; m. Mar. 14, 1765, Triphena Riley, b. Oct. 1, 1742 (Nathaniel). Was a Rev. soldier and rem. to Littleton, N. H., where he d. Aug. 14, 1825, she Nov. 22, 1825.
- Solomon, b. June 22, 1740; m. (1) Dec. 3, 1761, Sarah Selden, b. Aug. 30, 1743, dau. of Capt. Thomas Selden and Rebecca Walkley. She d. Sept. 12, 1774; m. (2) Dec., 1775, Naomi Kirby, b. Jan. 24, 1752. He was a physician. His well was to be seen till recently "under the hill" and just north of the A. N. Pierson residence. He d. Jan. 31, 1783, and the widow m. Sept. 25, 1791, Prosper Hubbard, and they removed to Sheffield, Mass. He had eight children, of whom, Mary m. Simeon Ranney; and Solomon was in Rev. War.
- Daniel, b. Oct. 11, 1742; m. (1) Martha Norton; (2) May 8, 1777, Mrs. Abiah (Eells) Lincoln, widow of Mordecai Lincoln, and formerly of Taunton, Mass. (Linkton on his tombstone). She d. May 15, 1817, and is buried by the side of her second husband, who d. Jan. 17, 1812.
- 6 Capt. Joseph<sup>3</sup> Savage (William<sup>2</sup>, John<sup>1</sup>), b. Sept. 21, 1711, Upper Houses; m. (1) Jan. 11, 1732-3, Mary Whitmore, b. Apr. 15, 1710, d. May 14, 1733, dau. of Joseph Whitmore and Mary Warner; m. (2) Oct. 14, 1736, Prudence Stow, widow of Samuel Stow, Jr. He d. Dec. 14, 1755, and she m. (3) Capt. Nathaniel Gilbert, (4) John Gould, (5) Jeremiah Goodrich, and d. 1807, aged 101 years. Among his

*Children:*

Samuel Stow, b. Mar. 1, 1743, a Rev. soldier.

Abijah<sup>4</sup>, b. July 2, 1744; m. Aug. 22, 1765, Martha Torrey,  
 whose father served  
 in French-Indian  
 War. Abijah was  
 comd. 1761 in  
 French and Indian

*Abijah Savage*

War; comd. May 1, 1775; captured Dec. 31, 1775, at  
 Quebec; prisoner 14 months. Then raised a company  
 and served three years. Active in Ch. and Sch. affairs.  
 His autograph to application for pension is given here-  
 with. His wife d. June 4, 1812. He was a shipwright  
 and d. June 9, 1825. Has fine monument. Was a  
 founder of the Society of the Cincinnati. Had 14 chil-  
 dren, of which

*Children:*

Abijah<sup>5</sup> Savage, b. Nov. 24, 1777; d. Jan. 27, 1870, had 3  
 wives, of his *children:*

Marietta<sup>6</sup>, b. ———; m. James Henry Baisden.

*Children:*

Charlotte Jerusha<sup>7</sup>, m. Manly Burdick. Res. New  
 Britain, Conn.

James, m. (1) Fanny French, (2) Nellie Vibberts.

Henry, m. Mary Jane Burdick.

Phebe Ann, m. Lodowick Clark Burdick. Res. Crom-  
 well. *Children:*

Prudence Edna<sup>6</sup>, m. Albert Williams.

Mary Jane, m. Walter J. Whittaker.

Fanny Josephine, m. David T. Deming.

Henry Sullivan, m. Mabel Hurd.

Robert Denison, m. Anna Maria Holmes.

George Edwin, m. (1) Julia Kelly, (2) Hattie Vib-  
 bert.

Charles, m. Georgine Lamberton.

Robert, m. Adaline Fuller.

William George, m. Emma<sup>8</sup> Smith (Joseph<sup>7</sup>, Seth<sup>6</sup>,  
 Nathaniel<sup>6</sup>, Joseph<sup>4</sup>, Rev. Joseph<sup>3</sup>, Philip<sup>2</sup>,  
 Samuel<sup>1</sup>).

Elizabeth<sup>6</sup>, b. Dec. 31, 1828; m. Sullivan Pinney, b.  
 1821, and d. Feb. 18, 1902. Widow res. in Crom-  
 well. *Children:*

Rosa L——, b. Jan. 10, 1852, d. Oct. 15, 1894.

Frederick Savage<sup>7</sup>, b. Oct. 30, 1854; m. Oct. 18, 1884,

Jennie E. Roach. Res. West Haven, Conn.  
*Children:*

Bertha L.<sup>8</sup>, b. 1885.

Florence R., b. 1888.

Simeon, b. May 22, 1746; m. Nov. 14, 1781, Millicent Gaylord, dau. of Capt. Samuel Gaylord and Margaret Clark. He was a Rev. soldier and d. Mar. 5, 1792.

9 Gideon, b. May 31, 1751.

Nathan, b. Dec. 25, 1752, was ord. sergt. in Rev. War; rem. to Windsor, Vt., where he d. Sept. 27, 1814.

7 Ebenezer<sup>4</sup> Savage (Thomas<sup>3</sup>), b. Feb. 26, 1718-19, Upper Houses; m. Apr. 14, 1743, Rebecca<sup>4</sup> Ranney (Willett<sup>3</sup>, Thomas<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>), b. Oct. 3, 1726, Upper Houses. He rem., 1763-4, to Lanesboro, Mass., where he d. 1767. He was in French-Indian War; at Lanesboro, Mar. 28, 1764, was moderator of the "proprietors meeting" held to provide for the ordination of the Rev. Daniel Collins, Yale, 1760, who remained pastor for 62 years. He had nine children, of which

*Children:*

8 Hiel<sup>5</sup>, b. Sept. 30, 1754, Upper Houses.

Daniel, b. Feb. 20, 1764; m. Nov. 3, 1785, Lydia Catlin, b. Feb. 11, 1765. In 1781 was in Rev. Army. Rem. to Guilford, N. Y., where he d. Mar. 27, 1848. Nine children.

8 Hiel<sup>5</sup> Savage (Ebenezer<sup>4</sup>), b. Sept. 30, 1759, Upper Houses; m. Dec. 31, 1782, Hannah Wyatt, b. Oct. 22, 1760. Served in Rev. Army, 1777, '78, '80; rem. 1781 to Milton, N. Y., where she died May 16, 1829. He d. Dec. 1, 1843, Greenfield, N. Y. The oldest of six children was:

*Child*

8a Hiel<sup>6</sup>, b. Dec. 9, 1783.

8a Hiel<sup>6</sup> Savage (Hiel<sup>5</sup>), b. Dec. 9, 1783, Ballston, Saratoga Co., N. Y.; m. June 14, 1807, Hannah Corey, b. Sept. 3, 1777, dau. of Capt. William, son of William and Elizabeth (Drake) Corey and Sarah (Clarke) Corey, of North Kingston, R. I., a descendant of William Corey, who died in 1682 at Portsmouth, R. I. They resided in Edinburgh, N. Y. He d. Aug. 11, 1863, West Day, N. Y.; she d. Sept. 26, 1863, Norwich, Conn. The second of their four children was:

*Child*

8b Isaac Aylsworth, b. Dec. 28, 1814.

8b Isaac Aylsworth<sup>7</sup> Savage (Hiel<sup>6</sup>), b. Dec. 28, 1814, Edin-



burgh, N. Y.; m. Dec. 14, 1843, Mary Anne Clarke, b. Mar. 12, 1817, Chester, N. H., dau. of John Clarke (a descendant of Nathaniel Clarke and Elizabeth Somerby, of Newbury, Mass.), and Elizabeth Currier. Both her grandfathers served in the Rev. army. He was graduated from Wesleyan University, 1841; entered ministry M. E. Church, 1841, New England Conference; d. Feb. 16, 1854, Holliston, Mass. She died Jan. 12, 1892, Lowell, Mass.

*Children:*

Edward Aylsworth, b. May 16, 1846; d. Nov. 26, 1872.

\*James Francis, b. Feb. 24, 1849; grad. 1872, Dartmouth Coll.; adm. to the bar, 1876, is Clerk of Police Court, Lowell, Mass.; m. July 13, 1887, Mary Caroline Smith, b. Jan. 21, 1856, dau. of Andrew Maxham Smith and Caroline Moody. *Child:*

Miriam, b. Apr. 10, 1888. Res. Lowell, Mass.

Charles Wesley, b. June 14, 1852; grad. 1874, Harvard Uni.; LL. B., 1877, Boston Uni. Law School; adm. to the bar 1877. Died, Feb. 28, 1890, at Lowell, Mass.

9 Gideon<sup>4</sup> Savage (Joseph<sup>3</sup>, William<sup>2</sup>, John<sup>1</sup>), b. May 31, 1751, Upper Houses; m. Mar. 4, 1779, Sarah White, bapt. Sept., 1756, Upper Houses, dau. of Aaron<sup>5</sup> White (Hugh<sup>4</sup>, Daniel<sup>3</sup>, Nathaniel<sup>2</sup>, John<sup>1</sup>), and Sarah Olmstead, of East Hartford, Conn. He and his brothers and sisters were born in the original Blomfield homestead, which had become the property of John<sup>1</sup> Savage. (See map of 1675.) He served in the War of the Revolution as "artificer." In beginning his diary he states that he enlisted in "Capt. Mill's Company of Artificers, 10th of February, 1777, from Middletown, Conn."

The diary was edited by a descendant, and is given here as printed some years ago. Copy furnished by Chloe Seymour for use in this volume:

DIARY OF GIDEON SAVAGE.

May 31 and June 1, 1777.—Then marched for the Jerseys. Then marched for King's-ferry.

June 2. Then from King's-ferry for Head Quarters at Morris-town Ramipo.

" 3. Marched from Ramipo to Troy.

" 4. Marched from Troy to Head Quarters in Middlebrook.

" 5. Struck all the tents and marching orders given out.

" 6. Nothing material.

" 7. Nothing turns up extraordinary.

\*The compiler of this work is under many obligations to Mr. James Francis Savage, who compiled the John Savage Family Genealogy.

- June 8. Sabbath. We made two coffins and then packed up all tools ready for a march.
- " 9. We made coffins.
- " 10. We made five coffins. This day there was one man shot and three relieved.
- " 11. Two deserters came in.
- " 12. Three deserters came in.
- " 13. Came in two more deserters. In the afternoon went out in the woods and at night we packed up our tools.
- " 14. We lay all night upon the ground.
- " 15. Sabbath. There was firing all day by spells, with cannon thundering the heavens, and small arms.

[History records considerable skirmishing between the two armies during this month of June, Howe trying to bring on a general engagement, and Washington too cautious with his raw troops and disadvantages of position to be entrapped. Foiled, at length, in all his maneuvers, Howe evacuated the Jerseys about the first of July, crossing over to Staten Island.]

- June 16. Some firing in the morning.
- " 17. We were alarmed and moved on about a hundred yards, and pitched our tents again.
- " 18. No news remarkable at all. This day we made one coffin.
- " 19. There were two deserters came to us—and the same day there was taken one Captain and one Lieutenant. The same day the enemy left Somerset.
- " 20. Nothing remarkable turns up this day, but there were about 1,500 troops came in.
- " 21. Nothing material this day.
- " 22. Sabbath. Our people drove the enemy out of Brunswick and took a vast deal of plunder. Firing all night.
- " 23. Came in ten deserters. Nothing to do.
- " 24. Nothing to do.
- " 25. Nothing to do.
- " 26. Firing of cannon and small arms early in the morning, and there were some killed on both sides, but the certain number not known—not at present. The same day we packed up all our tools ready for the march. Did nothing all day.
- " 27. One Sergeant and six privates taken and some deserters came in.
- " 28. There were eighty prisoners and some deserters came in.
- " 29. Sabbath. One deserter came in.
- " 30. One deserter came—two coffins made.
- July 1. Then the British left the Jerseys and went to New-York.

- July 2. Some of the army went to Morristown.  
 " 3. We left Middlebrook and went to Morristown.  
 " 4. Nothing turned up this day.  
 " 5. No news this day.  
 " 6. Sabbath. There were twenty boats taken from Philadelphia on wagon wheels.  
 " 7. No news of importance.  
 " 8. Seeking of importance turns up.  
 " 9. No movements to-day.  
 " 10. Moved from Morristown on march to Passaic.  
 " 11. Encamped in Passaic town.  
 " 12. No news to-day.  
 " 12. Sabbath. Nothing turns up to-day.  
 " 14. We marched from Passaic down on our march to King's ferry and encamped in Ramapo, the whole army (Highland and all).  
 " 15 & 16. We laid still.  
 " 17. No news of any kind.  
 " 18. The army marched about two miles from Ramapo to-day.  
 " 19. No movements to-day.  
 " 20. We moved from Ramapo on our march to [not legible] and encamped on the [not legible] in New York Government, the west side of Tappan River.

[Washington, knowing that a fleet of British transports was fitting out in New-York harbor with a view to disembark, thought likely Howe was intending to go up the Hudson to join with Burgoyne, and so made a slow march toward Passaic, on the river, but the fleet going out to sea he immediately reversed the steps toward the Delaware, fearing that Philadelphia would meet defeat.]

- July 21. Moved late again about 10 miles to [not legible] and encamped there that night and went on our march the next day. No movements of the army on the 22nd and 23rd but marched late in our old marching camp in [not legible].  
 " 25. We moved from Ramapo back to twenty [not legible].  
 " 26. We continued our march to the Delaware and encamped in [not legible]. I have forgotten the name of this place. We marched 24 miles that day.  
 " 27. Still continued our march and still came up to [not legible] [not legible] to the Delaware and encamped. On the 28th, I set out for home and got home the 29th, on the 30th August, September 18th set out for headquarters and arrived there the 23d of September and joined the [not legible].

[During his furlough the Battle of the Brandywine was fought.]  
Sept. 24. Nothing turned up.

“ 25. No news of importance.

“ 26. We moved toward Philadelphia 7 miles.

[Washington tried in vain to save Philadelphia. He made his last effort Sept. 16th, risking an engagement which might have proved more ruinous than it did, had it not been interrupted by a violent storm. As it was he lost 300 men before he retreated. The British entered the city the 26th, the main part of their army encamping at Germantown, six miles distant then, but now included in the city limits. Congress had adjourned to Lancaster, the public stores had been removed, and a levy on the inhabitants for stores and clothing for Washington's army had previously been executed.]

Sept. 27. There was some cannonading of the enemy in Philadelphia from the Regulars.

“ 28. Went out to — waggons and rejoiced by reason of the enemy being defeated to the Northard.

[Gates was triumphing over Burgoyne at this date. The battle of Stillwater was fought on September 19th. Burgoyne capitulated on the 17th of October.]

Sept. 29. We moved—no news to-day.

“ 30. We lay still.

Oct. 1. We lie still yet.

“ 2. We moved about 2 miles.

“ 3. Orders for marching.

“ 4. Was the battle at Germantown.

[The reticence of our diarist is shown in this mention, as it appears from other family papers, that he made the “stretcher” on which Gen. Nash was borne off the field, and that he was one of eight detailed to carry him to a place of safety—a service which the party fulfilled—not resting till they had put eight miles between the dying man and the enemy.]

Oct. 5. Encamped.

“ 6. We remained in our encampment.

“ 7. No movement.

“ 8. We marched about ten miles.

“ 9. Rained all day.

“ 10. Marched about one mile and a quarter and there built a gallows, and the next day there was a man hung at about half after one o'clock.

“ 11. Very heavy cannonading.

“ 12. The cannonading continued.

“ 13. No movement of the army.

“ 14. No movement.

Oct. 15. There was a rejoicing by reason of the news being confirmed about the Northard army being destroyed.

Oct. 16. We moved about eight miles.

[The army was now some twenty miles north of Philadelphia, withdrawing after the battle of Germantown which took place twelve days before.]

Oct. 17. Some firing.

“ 18. The firing continued by spells.

“ 19. Sabbath. Some firing in the morning.

“ 20. We moved about six miles toward Philadelphia.

“ 21. Lay still.

“ 22. No movement, but 500 Hessians killed on the spot.

[Though obliged to give up Philadelphia, the Americans still commanded the river below, by two forts, one on Mud Islands, near the Pennsylvania side, and another at Red Bank on the Jersey shore, so preventing communication between the British army at Germantown and its fleet in the lower Delaware. Gen. Howe, in distress for supplies, saw the necessity of removing all obstructions to the navigation of this river and immediately applied his forces to the reduction of the two forts, which on the other hand Washington was determined to hold to the last extremity. October 22, Count Donop with 1,200 Hessians, picked men, marched against Fort Mercer, at Red Bank, while several ships of war opened a cannonade on Fort Mifflin, on the opposite side of the river. The attack on Fort Mercer which had a garrison of only 500, was repulsed with a loss to the enemy of 400 men, Donop himself being mortally wounded; and of the ships which assaulted Fort Mifflin, one sixty-four gun ship was blown up, another ship burned, and others retired with great damage. This is said to be the first assault in the course of the war which the Americans repulsed. These forts were defended several weeks, the garrison repairing by night the breaches made by day, but they yielded at last to the superior force of the British, and so the enemy's fleet passed up the Delaware to Philadelphia]

Oct. 23. Went down to Hagerstown and brought off 30 barrels of train oil and 53 wagon loads of iron, and the same day the Eagle was blown up—the 64 gun ship.

“ 24. Every thing is easy and quiet.

“ 25. Some firing with cannon and small arms.

“ 26. Sabbath. Some firing of cannon.

“ 27. Rained all day.

“ 28. More rain.

“ 29. Rained all day and cleared off at night.

“ 30. Marched down to the Schuylkill.

Oct. 31. We began the bridge over the Schuylkill.

[Hildreth in describing the situation at Valley Forge, says that to "facilitate such movements as might be necessary a bridge was thrown across the Schuylkill," carrying the inference that it was built after the army went into winter quarters. We are afraid history is a little at fault here, as according to our "artificer," the bridge was not only built but burned (if we understand him farther on) before the encampment at Valley Forge. It is possible, however, that a second bridge was thrown over the river in January when an hiatus occurs, we are sorry to say, in this veritable record.]

Nov. 1. We continued working on the bridge.

" 2. Sabbath. The bridge still goes on.

" 3. We heard of the news of the taking of prisoners on Long Island and cannon—the number of prisoners 800.

[Of any such event at that place near that time history is silent, and this *nuse* (to spell it as Gideon Savage does) must have been simply false, unless indeed it was more than a year old. In August 1776, Howe landed troops on the west end of Long Island, and advancing by three different roads toward Washington's camp at Brooklyn, made great destruction, forcing the Americans to quit the Island with a loss of several hundred killed and wounded and a thousand prisoners, but it is incredible that any man of Washington's army should first hear of it on the Schuylkill.]

Nov. 4. No news of importance.

" 5. Firing of cannon all day, and the building of the bridge goes on.

" 6. Rain all day.

" 7. Nothing turns up new.

" 8. Nothing new to-day.

" 9. Sabbath. Still working on the bridge.

" 10. Firing with cannon at Mud Island all day.

[Fort Mifflin on Mud Island was abandoned Nov. 16th.]

" 11. Very cold but still work on the bridge.

" 12. Very blustering, some snow and rain.

" 13. Cold and rainy—no news.

" 14. Very cold still.

" 15. No news of importance.

" 16. Was the Sabbath, and some snow and very cold.

" 17. Cloudy and cold.

" 18. Very pleasant.

" 19. Very cold and windy.

" 20. Cloudy and warm and we kept Thanksgiving—we had one turkey and four pair of fowls.

[It would be interesting to know exactly when *the turkey* became the instituted thank-offering of this people.]

Nov. 21. Still cloudy and warm for the time of year.

“ 22. Warm and pleasant.

“ 23. Is the Sabbath and it is very warm; we heard there were 500 prisoners.

[This blind reference is to the American loss at Germantown perhaps, of which 400 prisoners is the record of history. The numbers in battles are exceedingly uncertain. They come out of the smoke very obscure. Official reports on the two sides generally disagree. It is natural that each commander should depreciate his own force, and especially his loss, while he magnifies the forces against which he has contended, or over which he has been victorious. Historians must strike the balance each to suit himself. As a specimen of the discrepancies which you are sure to meet in studying accounts of battles, Hildreth says that Count Donop attacked Fort Mercer with “1200 picked men”; which we compare with two other Histories at hand. One (earlier than Hildreth) says, “2000 Hessian grenadiers;” the other (later) says, “2500 picked Hessians.” Doubtless with a little pains we could find several other figures which have been used to represent the number of these unhappy mercenaries.]

Nov. 24. No news to-day.

“ 25. Cold.

“ 26. Cold and squally—the same day I finished the bridge.

“ 27. I went from the Schuylkill and returned to Company, and 28th went to North Wales.

“ 29. We went over to the Dutch Church—rained all day.

“ 30. Sunday. Rain all day.

Dec. 1. 1777. Very cold.

“ 2. Very cold and windy—no news of importance.

“ 3. More pleasant to-day.

“ 4. Nothing new to-day.

“ 5. Very cold and sour—the same day the enemy moved out of town to Chestnut Hill and in the morning we had a small skirmish.

[Of this affair Sparks says: “Sir William Howe, having received an accession to his strength by several regiments from New-York, thought a good opportunity presented itself for trying his fortune in another battle, if he could find the Americans in such a condition as to attack them to advantage. He marched out of the city with twelve thousand men, in the evening of the 4th of December, and the next morning took post at Chestnut Hill, about three miles from the right of the American encampment. Wash-

ington sent out light troops to skirmish, but resolved to wait for the general attack on the ground he had chosen. This was an adventure which General Howe was not inclined to hazard. After maneuvering three days in the front and on the flanks of the American lines, seeking for an advantage which his opponent was careful not to give, he retreated suddenly to Philadelphia, having lost in the different rencounters twenty men killed, sixty-three wounded, and thirty-three missing.”]

Dec. 6. Some firing in the morning.

“ 7. Sabbath. Some firing of small arms.

“ 8. The enemy returned into the city again.

“ 9. All still and no movement.

“ 10. We moved down the Schuylkill again to repair the bridge.

“ 11. The enemy made their appearance at the bridge and burnt all, both houses and barns—stripped women and children.

“ 12. No news of importance—snow and very cold.

“ 13. We moved from Jacob Wence’s on the Sibba road and went over Schuylkill.

[Their late camp was at White-Marsh about eleven miles northwest of Philadelphia, and six miles from the nearest point on the Schuylkill.]

Dec. 15. No movement of the enemy.

“ 16. Rain all day and we are out after a saw-mill.

“ 18. Rain all day again. We are at the Valley Forge.

“ 19. Moved up to the Valley Forge.

[Here we may say a few words, albeit the winter of 1777 at this place is not a piece of history unfamiliar to the American reader. Valley Forge was a woody eminence on the south bank of the Schuylkill, about twenty miles northwest of Philadelphia where the British army lay, and twenty-five miles southeast of Reading where the American stores were kept. It was easily defended and there Washington could watch the movements of Howe and protect his own magazines, and there his army, variously estimated from eleven to seventeen thousand men, was quartered from the middle of December till the following June. Washington selected the place himself after personal survey, and made his plan for going into winter quarters there, amidst the conflicting opinions of his officers, and against the remonstrances of the Pennsylvania assembly, which ignorant of the destitution of his army and the difficulties of the undertaking, was anxious for a winter campaign. He announced the plan to his troops on their march to the place. Sparks says orders for the building of the huts were issued Dec. 18th. Compare with Gideon Savage’s date. The huts were ar-



ranged in streets like a city, each hut containing twelve or fourteen soldiers. The sufferings of the army in this camp have often been rehearsed. The rigor of the winter was extreme, and they were scant of blankets, clothing and shoes. For want of covering the soldiers often had to sit up all night by the camp fires, and the snow was stained with the blood of their naked feet. Their rations sometimes gave out, and Washington was finally obliged to send out and seize provisions wherever they could be found, a necessity which he considered one of the greatest of misfortunes, warning Congress of its dangerous consequences—that it would be ruinous to the morals of the soldiers, and create dissatisfaction among the inhabitants. There were mutinous feelings among a few, and some of the foreigners deserted, but Washington's personal influence was all-commanding, and the majority of the army submitted to their trials without a murmur. The rigor of the winter appears sufficiently in Gideon Savage's record, but that is all. He was not the man to tell what he suffered.]

Dec. 20. Began our house for winter quarters.

“ 21. Was the Sabbath.

“ 22. No news of importance to-day.

“ 23. Was very cold but pleasant for the time of year.

“ 24. No news of importance.

“ 25. Cloudy and some snow.

“ 26. Cold and cloudy—thirty prisoners taken.

“ 27. Cleared off.

“ 28. Snow and very cold. I went to [not legible] for boards. The same day is the Sabbath.

“ 29. Cleared off and cold.

“ 30. Cold and clear—ten prisoners brought in.

“ 31. Very cold still.

Jan. 1, 1778. No news of importance.

“ 2. Very pleasant—warm at night, some rain.

“ 3. We heard of the taking of the two ships loaded with clothing and arms.

[It is a pity he does not tell us whether this was good *nuse* or bad—whether it made them sorry or glad, that bitter winter at Valley Forge. We are afraid the enemy took those ships, and deprived the poor fellows there of some intended relief.]

Jan. 4. No news of importance.

[5th, 6th, 7th, and 8th, uneventful as the 4th.]

Jan. 9. Pleasant. Working at Gen. Washington's quarters.

“ 10. There was a man hanged. We still working at the General's.

“ 11. The same day is the Sabbath.

[Here a leaf is missing, we regret to say, for it is right in the middle of the story. We might have had the scantiest mention of Washington again under some of the missing dates, but are obliged to skip a month almost, as the next date is evidently in February.]

- 7. Cold and clear. Wind at north-west.  
 “ 8. Snowed all day—the wind at northeast.  
 “ 9. Very cold and the wind at north-west.  
 “ 10. Which is twelve months, just, since I enlisted.  
 “ 11. Rain and snow—Cleared off at night. The wind at north-west.  
 “ 12. Still at work at the General’s.

[We find the following little mention in Spark’s Life of Washington:

“ Mrs. Washington joined her husband at Valley Forge in February. Writing a month afterwards to Mrs. Mercy Warren, the historian of the Revolution, she said: ‘The General’s apartment is very small. He has had a log cabin built to dine in, which has made our quarters much more tolerable than at first.’”

This tells us perhaps, what Gideon Savage was doing at the General’s—making a dining-room. Happy man, if he added only a little to the comfort of Washington in those days, the time of his greatest humiliation and discouragement.]

Feb. 15. Cloudy, warm and snow at night.

[From the above date on to the first of March is simply a meteorological record, with the usual mark of courtesy to the “Sabbath.” The fierceness of the winter must have spent itself early as these last two weeks of February were warm—“very warm” by spells.]

To the diary is added the following curious memoranda:

June 5. 1777. Then at Morristown. Then drew rum for the company and it was kept back by the Captain and candles. Again at Wilmington drew *sauce* money, [if we decipher the word] 60 dollars and 50, and each man had one dollar then in the company, including seargents; and ever since all the candles kept back by Capt. Mills.

Feb. 11. 1778. Capt. Mills took from us one barrel of whiskey that we bought for our own use. At another time he kept back rum from us.

“ 16. Then Captain struck a man.

[Capt. Mills was not very popular, it is evident, with one man in his company, but we should not expect that man to give any words to his spleen. He bottled up the facts in their own pepper and then let them stand.]

Feb. 21. The Captain set out for home.

Feb. 22. Newberry set out for home and Clark set out for home.  
 March 2. 1778. Then I set out for home.

[We have found this diary of Gideon Savage bare as the trees of winter, clear black and white, with not the smallest buds of emotion to color the scene; but here at the very last we think we see a little something green—at least enough to excite the imagination of a mother. "I set out for *home*." There is a lurking sentiment in that, we are sure. He had a home that he loved. It was not the home a man makes for himself when he marries (he was unmarried—24 years of age), it was the home he was born in, the home of his father and mother and brothers and sisters. He had not outgrown his fondness for that. And now we think of it, he "set out for *home*" once before—got a furlough when he had been away only six months. Ah! he had a heart—this Gideon Savage.]

Gideon Savage removed in 1785, to New Hartford, New York, settling on an unbroken tract he then purchased and on which he died Feb. 26, 1833. He was buried in South Street Cemetery, where other patriots from Upper Houses have found graves. He was a pillar in the Presbyterian Church there. She d. Jan. 9, 1840.

*Children:*

Catherine, b. Apr. 15, 1780.

9a Aaron<sup>5</sup>, b. Dec. 4, 1782.

Leonard, b. Mar. 21, 1785.

Nancy, b. Oct. 20, 1787.

Sarah, b. Mar. 31, 1790; m. Isaac Seymour; d. Sept. 9, 1858,  
 dau., Chloe, b. Jan. 26, 1834; res. Kenwood, N. Y.

Chloe, b. Mar. 14, 1793.

Joseph, b. Oct. 21, 1796.

9a Aaron<sup>5</sup> Savage (Gideon<sup>4</sup>, Joseph<sup>3</sup>, William<sup>2</sup>, John<sup>1</sup>), b. Dec. 4, 1782, Upper Houses; m. May 28, 1812, Holland Patent, N. Y., Elizabeth<sup>6</sup> Hamlin, b. Oct. 10, 1790, Middletown, Conn.; d. July 13, 1881, South Trenton, N. Y., dau. of William<sup>5</sup> Hamlin (William<sup>4</sup>, Nathaniel<sup>3</sup>, William<sup>2</sup>, Giles<sup>1</sup>) and Lucy<sup>5</sup> Kirby, b. Sept. 23, 1760, Upper Houses, dau. of Thomas<sup>4</sup> Kirby (John<sup>3</sup>, Joseph<sup>2</sup>, John<sup>1</sup>) and Lucy Stocking, b. June 10, 1737, who was dau. of Elisha Stocking and Rachel Ranney. (See Ranney and Stocking Families.) He rem. with his father to New Hartford, N. Y., then to Holland Patent, N. Y., where others of his kin had settled. He was a farmer and Democrat, d. Jan. 17, 1834.

*Children:*

Gideon, b. Aug. 27, 1813; d. Oct. 24, 1815.

Cornelia Plumb, b. Nov. 30, 1814; d. unm. Feb. 17, 1892.

9b Sarah Deborah, b. May 4, 1817; m. H. W. Garrett.

9c Catherine Cary, b. Jan. 16, 1819; m. Elias Stanton.

9d Elizabeth, b. Dec. 7, 1820; m. John P. Garrett.

9e Leonard Gideon, b. June 24, 1823; m. Sophia Hart.

Joseph, b. Dec. 26, 1826; d. unm. 1897.

9b Sarah Deborah<sup>6</sup> Savage (Aaron<sup>6</sup>, Gideon<sup>4</sup>, Joseph<sup>3</sup>, William<sup>2</sup>, John<sup>1</sup>), b. May 4, 1817, Holland Patent, N. Y.; m. there, Mar. 30, 1837, Henry William Garrett, b. Sept. 8, 1807, South Trenton, N. Y., son of Cheney Garrett and Lorana Plant. Farmer; Repub.; musician in Co. E, 97th N. Y. Inf. Sept. 13, 1862-June 15, 1865. He died Aug. 28, 1888, So. Trenton, N. Y. Sons were:

*Children:*

9f Frederic Eugene, b. Jan. 1, 1838.

9g Orrin Roscoe, b. Mar. 26, 1844.

Henry Leonard, b. Aug. 12, 1848; m. Dec. 31, 1879, Minnie S. Waite; brick mfr.; res. So. Trenton, N. Y.

Sarah Ruth, b. Mar. 25, 1850; m. Feb. 6, 1878, Charles Abraham James, farmer; res. North Gage, N. Y. *Children:*  
Edith Clara, Mabel Ethel.

9c Catherine Cary<sup>6</sup> Savage (Aaron<sup>5</sup>, Gideon<sup>4</sup>, Joseph<sup>3</sup>, William<sup>2</sup>, John<sup>1</sup>), b. Jan. 16, 1819, Westmoreland, N. Y.; m. Feb. 28, 1843, Holland Patent, N. Y., Elias<sup>7</sup> Stanton, b. Aug. 5, 1819, Stonington, Conn., d. Apr. 2, 1904, Kirkland, N. Y.; farmer. (Elias<sup>6</sup>, Peleg<sup>5</sup>, Thomas<sup>4</sup>, \_\_\_\_\_<sup>3</sup>, Robert<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>) embarked at London, Eng., Jan. 2, 1635, in the *Bona Ventura*, went first to Virginia; thence to Boston; settled at Hartford, Conn., 1637; m. there Ann, dau. of Dr. Thomas and Dorothy Lord. He established 1650, a trading house at Stonington, Conn., where he died Dec. 2, 1676; she d. 1688. Ten children:

*Child:*

9h Charles Henry, b. Aug. 30, 1846.

9d Elizabeth<sup>8</sup> Savage (Aaron<sup>5</sup>, Gideon<sup>4</sup>, Joseph<sup>3</sup>, William<sup>2</sup>, John<sup>1</sup>), b. Dec. 7, 1820, Holland Patent; m. June 13, 1838, John Plant Garrett, b. Apr. 22, 1811, So. Trenton, N. Y., brother of Henry William (above), farmer; Rep.; musician Co. E, 97th N. Y. Inf. Sept. 8, 1862; in many battles; wounded July 25, 1864, before Petersburg; G. A. R.

*Children:*

William Henry, b. Oct. 30, 1840; d. Dec. 1, 1840.

Edward Eugene, b. Nov. 9, 1841; m. Apr. 20, 1887, Marion A. Wall; farmer; Rep.; private Co. D, 1st U. S. Sharpshooters, Nov. 16, 1861-June 10, 1862; G. A. R. *Child*: John Cheney, b. Aug. 26, 1891; res. So. Trenton, N. Y.

Cornelia Eliza, b. Oct. 9, 1844; m. Robt. R. Isaac, blacksmith; supervisor; J. P.; Rep.; F. & A. M.; eight children; res. So. Trenton, N. Y.

Ella Elizabeth, b. Jan. 9, 1850; d. Dec. 1, 1866.

George William, b. Feb. 22, 1858; d. Apr. 9, 1866.

9e Leonard Gideon<sup>6</sup> Savage (Aaron<sup>5</sup>, Gideon<sup>4</sup>, Joseph<sup>3</sup>, William<sup>2</sup>, John<sup>1</sup>), b. June 24, 1823; m. (1) Jan. 15, 1852, Sophia Hart, b. Sept. 15, 1833, Stowe, Vt., dau. of Samuel and Mary Ann Hart, who died Sept. 9, 1874; m. (2) Lucy (Treat) Hinman, widow of William Hinman and dau. of Amos and Samantha Treat; farmer; ind.; both d. Holland Patent; he d. Dec. 1, 1895.

*Children by first marriage:*

Joseph Hart, b. Mar. 11, 1853; d. unm. Nov. 2, 1876.

9k Eugene Aaron, b. July 8, 1856.

9l Katherine Mary, b. May 19, 1858.

John Nathan, b. Nov. 19, 1871; m., still living.

Jessie Ella, b. Dec. 20, 1873; m. Dec. 25, 1899, Francis Newton Conlan, b. Dec. 24, 1863; merchant; Dem.; res. Hancock, N. Y.

9f Frederick Eugene<sup>7</sup> Garrett (Sarah Deborah<sup>6</sup> Savage, Aaron<sup>5</sup>, Gideon<sup>4</sup>, Joseph<sup>3</sup>, William<sup>2</sup>, John<sup>1</sup>), b. Jan. 1, 1838, So. Trenton, N. Y.; m. Oct. 16, 1872, Rouseville, N. Y., Abbie Palmer Brown, b. Feb. 21, 1845, So. Trenton, N. Y., dau. of Nathaniel Brown and Lovisa Taylor, bookkeeper; producer of petroleum, Ind.; private Co. D, 1st Berdan Sharpshooters, and Reg. Q. M.; enlisted Nov. 16, 1861; wounded at Petersburg, Va., June, 1864; disc. Dec. 23, 1864. Died Feb. 8, 1906. Widow resides in Ithaca, N. Y.

*Children:*

Edna Savage, b. July 12, 1878; unm.

Seymour Stanton, b. May 24, 1880; instructor Cornell Univ., Ithaca, N. Y.

Clara Louise, b. Feb. 16, 1882; unm.

9g Orrin Roscoe<sup>7</sup> Garrett (Sarah Deborah<sup>6</sup> Savage, Aaron<sup>5</sup>, Gideon<sup>4</sup>, Joseph<sup>3</sup>, William<sup>2</sup>, John<sup>1</sup>), b. Mar. 26, 1844, So. Trenton,

N. Y.; m. Dec. 25, 1877, Kingston, Ill., Margaret Matilda Hartzell, b. May 2, 1853, Dowagiac, Mich., dau. of Simon Hartzell and Rebecca Poland. Farmer, Rep., Meth.; res. So. Trenton, N. Y.

*Children:*

Bertha Cornelia, b. Feb. 27, 1880.  
 Edwin Henry, b. Mar. 1, 1882.  
 Frederick Perry, b. Mar. 18, 1884.  
 James Orrin, b. Feb. 15, 1887.  
 Wayne Hartzell, b. Dec. 5, 1891.

9h Charles Henry<sup>7</sup> Stanton (Catherine Cary<sup>6</sup> Savage, Aaron<sup>5</sup>, Gideon<sup>4</sup>, Joseph<sup>3</sup>, William<sup>2</sup>, John<sup>1</sup>), b. Aug. 30, 1846, So. Trenton, N. Y.; m. Jan. 13, 1886, Norwich, N. Y., Mary Harkness, b. May 1, 1854, Norwich, dau. of Robert Harkness and Louisa Bolen. Grad. 1872, Hamilton Coll.; studied law in Norwich, adm. to practice 1878; Supt. Cong. S. S. there 1875-83, deacon there, teller in Norwich Nat. Bank for fifteen years; director of bank and of Waterworks Co., Sec'y-Treas. of Kirkland Creamery Co., Bursar of Hamilton Coll., Life Member of Society of Middletown Upper Houses. Wife's father for forty-six years a merchant in Norwich, native of Scotland, and a descendant of martyred Covenanters of same name; res. Kirtland, N. Y.

9k Eugene Aaron<sup>7</sup> Savage (Leonard Gideon<sup>6</sup>, Aaron<sup>5</sup>, Gideon<sup>4</sup>, Joseph<sup>3</sup>, William<sup>2</sup>, John<sup>1</sup>), b. July 8, 1856, Montague, N. Y.; m. Apr. 13, 1882, Holland Patent, Emma H. Strickland, b. Jan. 14, 1858, dau. of Simeon and Eugenie Strickland. General Sales Agent, Rep., F. & A. M. Res. Southampton, Pa.

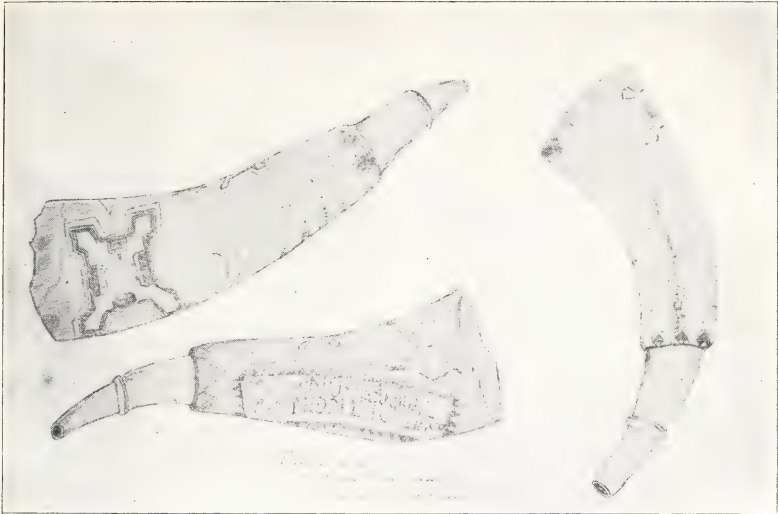
*Children:*

Mary Sophia, b. June 17, 1883.  
 James Eugene, b. Mar. 30, 1885.  
 Ira Joseph, b. May 6, 1887.

9l Katherine Mary<sup>7</sup> Savage (Leonard Gideon<sup>6</sup>, Aaron<sup>5</sup>, Gideon<sup>4</sup>, Joseph<sup>3</sup>, William<sup>2</sup>, John<sup>1</sup>), b. May 19, 1858, Montague, N. Y.; m. Jan. 19, 1887, Holland Patent, N. Y., Asa S. Bagg, b. May 17, 1849, Holland Patent, son of Albert G. Bagg and Mary M. Crandall. Cheese and butter mfr., Dem., F. & A. M.; res. Holland Patent, N. Y.

*Children:*

Grace M., b. Apr. 2, 1888.  
 J. Curtis, b. Mar. 22, 1891.  
 Albert S., b. Apr. 22, 1893.



THE POWDER HORNS OF AMOS SAVAGE  
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THE CAPT. ABIJAH SAVAGE HOUSE  
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THE HOME OF CAPT. TIMOTHY SAVAGE  
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THE HOME OF JOSIAH SAVAGE  
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10 Josiah Savage, bapt. Jan. 11, 1761; d. Apr. 14, 1831; m. Mary Roberts, d. Oct. 1, 1823, dau. of Dr. Aaron Roberts and Hepzibah (Johnson) Shepard, widow of Edward Shepard. He was only a boy when he enlisted in the Rev. Army, and served also on

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a privateer, and was taken prisoner, but escaped. He purchased the Jonathan Frary mansion, was largely interested in the West India trade and amassed a considerable fortune. He purchased the "Brick" warehouse, built in 1810 by Solomon Lothrop, and owned the wharf and the one south of it.

Among their children was Jesse Savage, who m. Maria Gridley, dau. of Squire Isaac Gridley and Elizabeth<sup>6</sup> Smith (John<sup>5</sup>, Joseph<sup>4</sup>, Rev. Joseph<sup>3</sup>). They rem. to Hartford, where he became wealthy and a prominent Baptist. A daughter, Cornelia, m. Mr. Jotham Chase, gave largely to Baptist enterprises, including \$500 to the Cromwell Baptist ch., also \$500 to care for the Savage and Gridley lots in the old cemetery of Cromwell.

Another son was Edward Savage, who res. in Upper Houses, in the house built by Capt. Timothy Savage. He was largely interested in the manufacture of fire arms. His daughters occupy the mansion.

*Children:*

- Jesse, b. Apr. 21, 1790; d. Mar., 1877; m. Maria Gridley.  
 Mary, b. Sept. 11, 1791; d. Feb., 1828; m. (1) Truman Griswold; m. (2) Jeremiah Brown.  
 Josiah, b. July 23, 1793, lived two months.  
 Aaron Roberts, b. Jan. 23, 1795; m. Martha Edwards.  
 Silas, b. Nov. 22, 1796; m. Relief Bradley Olcott.  
 Lauretta, b. May 2, 1798; d. Nov. 6, 1798.  
 Cornelius, b. Feb. 14, 1800; d. 1876; m. Ellen Burnham.  
 Edward, b. July 27, 1802; m. Dec. 4, 1823, Harriet White.  
 Thomas, b. June 7, 1804; Epis. clergyman, Miss. to Africa.

*Children:*

- Rev. William R. Savage, Rector at Blowing Rock, N. C.  
 Jesse Duncan, b. May 25, 1858; m. June 24, 1884, Rev. Thomas Lafayette Cole, rector of St. Mary's, Newton Lower Falls, Mass. *Children:*  
 Elizabeth Rutherford, b. Jan. 4, 1887.  
 Thomas Casilear, b. July 23, 1888.

Sophia Teresa, b. Oct. 9, 1889.

Dorothea, b. Jan. 18, 1893.

Benjamin, b. 1806; d. Oct. 3, 1837.

Martha, b. Mar. 17, 1810; d. July 8, 1830.

11 Timothy<sup>5</sup> Savage (Josiah<sup>4</sup>, William<sup>3</sup>, William<sup>2</sup>, John<sup>1</sup>), b. Jan. 24, 1769, Upper Houses; m. Nov. 26, 1789, Sarah Collins, b. July 23, 1769, Upper Houses, dau. of John<sup>6</sup> Collins (prob. Daniel<sup>5</sup>, Samuel<sup>4</sup>, Samuel<sup>3</sup>, Sergeant Samuel<sup>2</sup>, Dea. Edward<sup>1</sup>) and Sarah<sup>5</sup> White, widow of Freeman Gross, Jr. (John<sup>4</sup>, Jacob<sup>3</sup>, Capt. Nathaniel<sup>2</sup>, Elder John<sup>1</sup>). At fifteen years of age he began his shipping career and at twenty-one was master and owner of a vessel. He suffered large losses by the French, 1798-1800. He built several houses in the lower (original) village of Upper Houses and in 1816 he built a brick mansion seen herewith, on the site of the homestead of John Warner (son of the John who settled on the Robert Webster place), but which passed from his possession as he had endorsed the notes of a firm in New York and Philadelphia with whom he had business relations. This firm failed when Capt. Savage was absent on a voyage in the West Indies, and his property, including this house, was taken to pay their debts. He then retired from the seas and went to Wilmington, N. C., where, for a number of years, he was engaged in the West India shipping business in partnership with the British consul there. He finally retired from business and returned to the Upper Houses, where his wife d. July 29, 1844. He d. Nov. 1, 1849. Their cemetery lot is enclosed with an ornate iron fence. He was an original member of the Baptist church and its first clerk. In the last year of his life he united with the Middletown Universalist church. His portrait adorns the Life Certificate of the Society of Middletown Upper Houses. He was engaged for some years in an effort to be reimbursed for his losses by the French. The following is an extract from a letter he wrote to the Hon. Samuel Foote, on Mar. 10, 1830:

*Sir.*—I perceive that a report and a bill will be presented to the Senate in relation to Spoliation committed by the French on American commerce prior to the 30<sup>th</sup> of Sept., 1800. I have entire confidence in the wisdom of the Senate and feel assured that proper provision will be made for the sufferers by these spoliations; but as the losses consequent upon them were the origin of my pecuniary embarrassment for the last thirty years, as well as those of many of my mercantile friends, permit me to state," etc.

One of these vessels was the *Henry and Gustavus*, owned by him and Robert Johnson, which was captured when his brother Giles

was its master and Joseph Ranney was mate. The owners valued the horses and oxen at \$1,200, and other freight at \$1,500.

"Captain and Mate's adventures on board schooner *Henry and Gustavus*, captured by the French in 1798."

"Giles Savage's adventure on board schooner *Henry and Gustavus* when captured by the French on a voyage to the West Indies, June 30, 1798:

1 horse	75
Sundry articles, such as sheep, hogs, corn, etc.	100
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	\$175
Joseph Ranney, mate of said schooner,	
1 Horse	100
corn	70
Fowls	72
1 Quadrant	16
spy glass	10
	<hr/>
	\$443 "

In a sketch of his younger days, Timothy Savage writes of his mother: "She was a woman of great energy of character and unbounded benevolence. She used to say, 'If I swear to my hurt, I will stick to it.' She was very handsome; her eyes were brown, but when very old she became blind, and was burnt to death, her apron catching alight in the open hearth when no one was at hand."

During the Revolution his father, Josiah Savage, was frequently called out in the militia, and as the elder boys, Luther and Josiah, Jr., enlisted into the Continental Army to fight the battles of their country, "at times," writes Timothy, "I was the only man left at home to look after the family. These were the times that tried men's souls and women's, too. I remember that my mother, and some of the neighboring women, being entirely destitute of any sugar or any kind of sweetening, went to a small field of corn, cut it, stripped the leaves from the stalk, carried it to a mill, and ground out the juice, each taking a portion, which they boiled. It was like molasses, and we all enjoyed it on our puddings if we could get meal to make them." One day when Timothy Savage was about nine (*i. e.* 1778), an officer from some camp near asked his mother if she knew of anyone to carry an important message to the camp, then at Wethersfield. She said, "No, I do not, unless this little boy would do," referring to Timothy. After awhile the officer gave him the letter and told him what to do when he reached

the camp. The letter was buttoned under his jacket and after dark he set out on the only horse the Army had left them, which was lame in one leg and blind in one eye, or perhaps both. The ride was something like ten miles long, and in telling the story when he was over seventy, he used to say he had never forgotten how long and dark it seemed. But he went on bravely and reached the camp in safety. Here he was kindly treated by all the officers and men. His brothers, Luther, about eighteen, and Josiah, about seventeen, were there too. When an answer to the letter had been prepared he carried it back, meeting with no mishap by the way.

Ten months before he was twenty-one he was married to Sarah Collins, of whom he writes: "In my wife I found a treasure, more valuable than gold or silver in all our subsequent life. Not overelated in prosperity or depressed in adversity, both of which we have experienced together."

*Children:*

- Julia, b. Jan. 3, 1791; m. Guerdon Robbins.
- 12 Timothy, b. Dec. 30, 1792.  
 Sarah, b. Jan. 3, 1795; m. Rev. Geo. Phippen; d. Sept. 3, 1817.  
 Jerusha, b. Feb. 12, 1797; m. Jesse A. Root; d. Apr. 7, 1879.  
 Henry Russell, b. Jan. 16, 1799; unm.; d. Oct. 2, 1861, Wilmington, N. C.; was Cashier of Bank of Cape Fear.  
 Maria, b. Nov. 6, 1800; m. Henry Law; d. May 18, 1882.
- 13 Harriet, b. Oct. 13, 1802.  
 Marriette, b. Nov. 13, 1804; d. Sept. 6, 1810.  
 John Collins, b. Feb. 3, 1807; m. Marina Constantine Hunter.  
 Abby Green, b. Mar. 31, 1809; d. Nov., 1820.  
 George, b. July 4, 1812; m. Julia F. Gilbert; d. May 29, 1884.

Jerusha and Maria were married March 4, 1821, by the Rev. Dr. Empie of St. James Episcopal church, Wilmington. Harriet was to have been married at the same time, making a triple marriage, but the muddy roads from Philadelphia detained the groom and he arrived in time to be married on March 15, 1821.

12 Timothy<sup>6</sup> Savage (Timothy<sup>5</sup>, Josiah<sup>4</sup>, William<sup>3</sup>, William<sup>2</sup>, John<sup>1</sup>), b. Dec. 30, 1792, Upper Houses; m. Dec. 3, 1818, Fayetteville, N. C., Elizabeth Haddock, b. Jan. 14, 1800, Fayetteville. He was given by President James Madison a warrant as midshipman in the navy, but at his father's request it was declined. He rem. to Wilmington, N. C., with his father and for a while was associated

with him in business, then became cashier of the Bank of Commerce, which position he held till his death on Aug. 2, 1864. The widow d. Jan. 11, 1858.

*Children:*

Elizabeth, b. Oct. 17, 1819; m. Zebulon Latimer. (See the Stocking Family.)

Edward, b. Apr. 25, 1821; d. Mar. 3, 1896; m. Mar. 5, 1848, Maria Tuesa Fernandez. *Children:*

José.

Ramon.

Fernandez Savage, b. Sept. 29, 1873; m. 1899, Mary E. Hutchinson.

Robert, b. May 10, 1823; d. Feb. 8, 1848. Passed Midshipman in U. S. Navy.

Sarah, b. May 29, 1825; d. Aug. 1, 1853; m. Apr. 19, 1849, William Reston. *Child:*

Elizabeth Jocelyn, b. Jan. 17, 1850; d. Aug. 3, 1903; m. (1) Oct. 25, 1873, Silas N. Martin; m. (2) Oct., 1888, Rev. George M. Folson. *Children by 1st m.*

Cuthbert, b. Feb. 12, 1875; m. Jan. 14, 1901, Bessie E. Gore.

Mabel, b. June 5, 1876; m. Jan. 16, 1901, Charles Whedbee. *Child:*

Silas Martin, b. Dec. 5, 1901.

*Child by 2d marriage:*

Meredith Claudius, b. Jan. 26, 1890.

Mary, b. Oct. 9, 1827; d. July 26, 1852; m. Nov. 21, 1850, Donald Mac Rae. *Child:*

Mary S., b. Dec. 11, 1851; d. May 10, 1896.

Richard, b. Dec. 18, 1829; d. ———, 1879; m. Isabella Campbell. *Children:*

Campbell, b. ———.

Aime, b. ———; m. Irwin Singleton.

Edward Fernandez, b. Sept. 19, 1876; m. Jan. 21, 1905, Susan Ferguson. *Child:* Julia Waddell.

Julia, b. Feb. 7, 1832; d. June 15, 1876; m. Mar. 5, 1857, Alfred M. Waddell. *Children:*

Alfred Moore, b. Sept. 9, 1858; m. Grace Martin.

Elizabeth Savage, b. Dec. 7, 1860.

Henry, b. Apr. 9, 1834; d. Aug. 1, 1904; m. Dec. 3, 1857, Jane Parsley. *Children:*

Anna Parsley, b. Sept. 16, 1858.

Isabel, b. Oct. 25, 1862.

Henry Russell, b. May 11, 1865; d. Mar. 30, 1903; m. Nov. 19, 1889, Effie C. Draper. *Children:*  
 Nellie Draper, b. Dec. 13, 1890.  
 Henry Russell, b. Oct. 19, 1892.  
 Edward Thayer, b. Jan. 6, 1894.

13 Harriet<sup>6</sup> Savage (Capt. Timothy<sup>5</sup>), b. Oct. 13, 1802, Upper Houses; m. Mar. 15, 1821, Wilmington, N. C., the Rev. Irah Chase, b. Oct. 5, 1793, Stratton, Vt.; d. Nov. 1, 1864, Newton Centre, Mass., where she had d. May 2, 1834. She was a woman of exceptional purity of character and strong faith and left an impress for good upon her children, young as they were at the time of her death, 1834, which continued with them through life.

Professor Chase was the son of Isaac Chase and Sarah Bond. Isaac was b. in Sutton, Mass., 1761, of Newbury stock and served in the Revolution. Irah Chase entered Middlebury College, Vt., 1811, graduating 1814, with highest honors of his class. In 1817 he graduated from Andover Theological Seminary. He was first appointed missionary to the region of Taze's Valley, Kanawa Co., West Virginia; afterward became a professor at Philadelphia, and thence was transferred to Columbian College, Washington, D. C., where he was for two years acting president. It was here his son Henry Savage Chase was born. In 1823 Prof. Chase was sent abroad; attending lectures in Edinborough, Halle, Bonn and Göttingen. In 1833 the Board sent him again to Europe to decide about undertaking work in Paris. From 1825 to 1845 he threw his whole energy into establishing the Newton (Mass.), Theological Institution, of which he was one of the founders and the first professor.

*Children:*

Harriet, b. Jan. 15, 1822; d. Jan. 21, 1822.  
 William Stoughton, b. Dec. 12, 1822; d. June 21, 1881; m. Rosalie Foster.  
 13a Henry Savage<sup>7</sup>, b. June 17, 1825.  
 Irah, b. May 26, 1827; d. June 10, 1877; m. (1) Martha Houghton; m. (2) Ellen Josephine Leverett.  
 Heman Lincoln, b. Sept. 22, 1829; d. Feb. 11, 1884; m. Susan Raymond.  
 Thomas Sewall, b. Apr. 5, 1831; d. July 19, 1868; m. Sarah Pitman.  
 Harriet Emma, b. Apr. 26, 1834; d. May, 1835.

13a Henry Savage<sup>7</sup> Chase (Harriet<sup>6</sup> Savage), b. June 17, 1825, Washington, D. C.; m. Dec. 25, 1852, New England Village, North



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TIMOTHY SAVAGE, JR., AND WIFE  
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HENRY SAVAGE CHASE  
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WILLIAM LEVERETT CHASE  
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MRS. SARAH CHASE CUMMINGS  
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MISS ELLEN CHASE  
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Grafton, Mass., Sarah Gano Leverett, b. Feb. 13, 1828, Roxbury, Mass., dau. of the Rev. William Leverett (grad. Brown, 1824) and Mary Ann Brown Jackson Cole of Providence, R. I. She d. Apr. 29, 1883; he Feb. 19, 1885.

Henry Savage Chase entered a store in Boston as an errand boy at the age of twelve or thirteen and with his earnings entered Phillips Academy, Andover, where he came under the strong influence of Samuel Taylor, the "Dr. Arnold of America," and was graduated in 1844. He then set about working his way through Harvard, but in his junior year left college and assumed the responsibility of providing a home for his father's household. Shortly after, about 1850, his early ventures in the flour line led to the starting of his bag business. Into this practically new field he carried an energy, soundness of judgment, and absolute integrity which brought it to a foremost position. He afterwards associated his brother Lincoln with him under the firm name of H. & L. Chase. At the same time he continued reading for his degree at Harvard, which he received out of course, his comrades of the Class of 1848 showing their appreciation meanwhile by choosing him Secretary, an office he filled until his death. Most happily married in 1852, his home was his joy, yet his ready sympathy was not confined to its limits, his warm heart finding its natural expression in upholding and cherishing church, family and friends. Beloved and trusted beyond the common lot, his death called forth a singularly united tribute to his Christian life and character.

*Children:*

13b William Leverett<sup>s</sup>, b. Dec. 4, 1853.

Henry Savage<sup>s</sup>, b. July 28, 1858; d. Sept. 3, 1858.

Ellen<sup>s</sup>, b. Mar. 26, 1863. Life member of the Pocumtuck Valley Memorial Association, member and, 1896-9, first Regent of Hannah Goddard Chapter, D. A. R., Brookline; member of the Historical and Genealogical Society, Boston; Brookline Historical; Mass. Civic League, Boston; and Society of *Mayflower* Descendants; generously furnished many portrait plates for this book; res. Brookline, Mass.

Sarah<sup>s</sup>, b. Apr. 17, 1866; m. Dec. 14, 1892, Brookline, Lincoln Clifford Cummings, b. Aug. 23, 1857, son of Enoch Lincoln Cummings (Harvard, 1848), and Nancy Clifford; res. Brookline, Mass. *Children:*

Rosamond<sup>o</sup>, b. Dec. 15, 1893.

Lincoln Clifford<sup>o</sup>, b. June 18, 1895.

Margaret Atherton<sup>o</sup>, b. Oct. 19, 1896; d. Aug. 8, 1897.

Henry Savage Chase<sup>9</sup>, b. June 22, 1898.

William Leverett<sup>9</sup>, b. Jan. 24, 1900.

Mary Leverett<sup>9</sup>, b. July 30, 1868; d. Sept. 16, 1868.

13b William Leverett<sup>8</sup> Chase (Henry<sup>7</sup> Savage), b. Dec. 4, 1853, North Grafton, Mass.; m. Sept. 26, 1876, Syracuse, N. Y., Mary Frances Elizabeth Greenough, dau. of John James Greenough and Mary Frances Cushing. He d. Oct. 7, 1895, Brookline, Mass. The widow res. in Brookline, Mass.

His life, many-sided and full of expression, ran with vigor and zest from the start. Educated in the Brookline schools, he graduated from Harvard in 1876, where he had taken high rank, becoming like his father, Secretary of his Class. He at once married and entered his father's business, which, later, owing to the death of the senior members of the firm, he conducted alone with marked success. In addition to his business life, he took an active interest in developing the State Militia, being unsparing of both his time and means. He wrote a handbook on marksmanship and was himself qualified as a sharpshooter and served as a member of the Massachusetts Creedmore Team in 1887-9, and as State Inspector-General of Rifle Practice on the Governor's staff through several successive terms. His character, temperament and business capacity led him to be sought in the councils of many corporate bodies and at the time of his death he was president of the Papyrus Club, Boston; The Massachusetts Society of the Sons of the Revolution; of the Victoria Mills Corporation of Newburyport; and by recent election of the Commercial Club of Boston; vice-president of the State Street Safe Deposit and Trust Company, Boston; Director of the Boston Wharf Co.; a State Director of the Fitchburg Railroad Co.; and Director of the Third National Bank, Boston. A Trustee of the Church Home for Orphans and Destitute Children, and of the Society for Relief of Widows and Orphans of Deceased Clergy of the Protestant Episcopal Church. He was also a member of the Metropolitan Park Commission, and of the Somerset Club, Boston.

The latter years of his life were passed in the house built by his father in 1860 in the immediate neighborhood of St. Paul's Episcopal church, Brookline, of which church he was junior warden, as his father had been senior warden before him. Falling early into the position of guide and helper, as his father's successor, he manifested a kindliness of heart which endeared him to a wide circle. At his death St. Paul's Parish placed a tablet to his memory appropriately inscribed: "Bear ye one another's burdens, and so fulfil the law of Christ."

*Children:*

- Mary Greenough<sup>9</sup>, b. July 15, 1877; d. Apr. 26, 1886.  
 Helen Leverett<sup>9</sup>, b. Nov. 20, 1878; m. Nov. 20, 1906, Brook-  
 line, Lawrence Bertram Flint, b. Aug. 11, 1874, son of  
 Horatio Putnam Flint and Anna Frances Carnes; res.  
 Needham, Mass. *Child:*  
 Frances Carnes, b. Dec. 17, 1907.  
 William Henry<sup>9</sup>, b. Dec. 17, 1881; grad. 1904, Harvard.  
 Patience<sup>9</sup>, b. Oct. 9, 1886; d. Oct. 9, 1886.  
 Sarah Gilroy<sup>9</sup>, b. July 9, 1888.  
 Lilian<sup>9</sup>, b. June 11, 1889.

[LINEAGE OF JUDGE ALBERT RUSSELL SAVAGE—Thomas<sup>4</sup> Savage (Thomas<sup>3</sup>, John<sup>2</sup>, John<sup>1</sup>), b. Dec. 15, 1714, Upper Houses; m. Jan. 1, 1741, Martha Whitmore. He rem. 1749, to Washington, Conn., then a part of Woodbury, where she d. Dec. 20, 1767. He rem. 1768, to Hartford, Vt., where he d. Oct. 11, 1798, having served from there in the Rev. War. Children were, Sarah, Martha, Sarah, Abigail, Joseph, Seth, Thomas and Francis W.

Seth<sup>5</sup> Savage, b. —————; m. Rhoda Bacon.

John<sup>6</sup> Savage, b. —————; m. Lucy Hopson of Norwich, Vt.; res. Lancaster, N. H.

Charles Wesley<sup>7</sup> Savage, m. Eliza McLaren Clough of Ryegate, Vt.; res. Lancaster, N. H.

Albert Russell<sup>8</sup> Savage, b. Dec. 8, 1847, Ryegate, Vt.; m. Aug. 17, 1871, Lunenburg, Vt., Ellen Hannah Hale, b. Oct. 8, 1847, Barnet, Vt., dau. of Sprague Taylor Hale and Nancy Moulton. Grad. 1871, Dartmouth, taught four years while studying law. Adm. 1874, to the bar in Montpelier, Vt. Resided Ryegate, Vt., to 1856; Lancaster, N. H., to 1872; Northfield, Vt., to 1875, and since then in Auburn, Me. County Attorney, 1881-1885; Judge of Probate, 1885-1889; Mayor of Auburn, 1889-1890, 1891; House of Representatives, 1891-1893; Speaker of House, 1893; Senate, 1895-1897; Justice of Supreme Judicial Court of Maine, from 1897; Rep., Cong., 32<sup>o</sup> F. & A. M., I. O. O. F., K. of P.; res. Auburn, Me.

*Children:*

- Charles Henry, b. Oct. 11, 1872; d. Apr. 23, 1896.  
 Anna May, b. Mar. 2, 1874; d. Dec. 17, 1875.  
 Mary Anna, b. Nov. 14, 1876; unm.; res. Auburn, Me.]

## THE SHEPARD FAMILY.

Edward<sup>1</sup> Shepard, mariner, 1639, Cambridge, Mass., and his wife Violet were in full communion.

John<sup>2</sup> Shepard, b. abt. 1627, England, had children Rebecca, John, Sarah, Violet, Elizabeth, bapt. 1660, Edward, bapt. Aug. 3, 1662, Samuel, bapt. July 3, 1664, Thomas, bapt. Nov. 18, 1666. John<sup>2</sup> was made freeman at Cambridge, May 22, 1650. Rem. to Hartford, where his name is first given in Conn. Colonial Records, Aug. 4, 1654. Hinman says he was "a man of consequence in the Colony." Lived on Lafayette street. Known as "Sergeant." Married (1) Oct. 1, 1649, Rebecca, dau. of Samuel Greenhill. She d. Dec. 22, 1689, aged about fifty-five. He m. (2) Susanna, widow of William Goodwin, Sr., with whom he made a marriage contract, Aug. 3, 1691. He m. (3) Sept. 8, 1689, Martha, widow of Arthur Henbury, who survived him.

Edward<sup>3</sup> Shepard, b. July 31, 1662, Hartford, Conn., son of John<sup>2</sup> Shepard and Susanna, second wife; m. Apr. 14, 1687, Abigail<sup>2</sup> Savage, b. July 10, 1666, Upper Houses. He was given a grant of land where the present Cong. ch. stands. He was a deputy to the General Court, 1710-11. He d. Sept. 9, 1713. She d. Oct. 16, 1719. Their tombstones are near that of Thomas<sup>1</sup> Ranney. His death followed so closely that of Thomas<sup>1</sup> Ranney, that it may be he was the second person to be buried in this yard. Her headstone has a round top like that of Thomas<sup>1</sup> Ranney, the only ones of that style in the yard.

### *Children:*

John<sup>4</sup>, b. Feb. 19, 1688; m. Feb. 17, 1720, Sarah Clark, dau. of John Clark and Elizabeth White. Rem. to East Middletown. *Children:*

Sarah, b. Dec. 10, 1727, East Middletown; m. June 22, 1749, William<sup>5</sup> Cornwall, ancestors of Rev. N. Ellsworth Cornwall, Stratford, Conn.

Samuel, b. Apr. 18, 1692; drowned in Conn. river, Apr. 9, 1750, deacon and Lieut.; m. (1) Apr. 21, 1715, Mary<sup>3</sup> Ranney; d. Mar. 15, 1732, dau. of Joseph<sup>3</sup> Ranney and Mary Starr, both of whom in their wills remembered their daughter's children; m. (2) Jan. 10, 1733, Christian<sup>3</sup> Savage, b. May 7, 1702, dau. of William<sup>2</sup> Savage and Christian Mould. *Children by first marriage:*

Edward, b. July 24, 1721; d. 1751; m. Nov. 4, 1744, Hepzibah Johnson. Son Abel bapt. May 4, 1747. She m. (2) Dr. Aaron Roberts.

Mary, b. Sept. 24, 1731; d. Sept. 14, 1742.

*Children by second marriage:*

Samuel, b. Dec. 2, 1733.

Christian, b. Jan. 6, 1736.

Jared<sup>4</sup>, b. Nov. 6, 1738.

Joseph, b. Apr. 14, 1741.

Mary, b. Aug. 25, 1743.

Capt. Jared<sup>4</sup> Shepard, b. Nov. 6, 1738; m. 1763, Abigail Edwards, dau. of Churchill Edwards. He built the house seen herewith. Served all through the Rev. War. Settled his sons in Paris, N. Y., and in a few years went there himself; d. in New Hartford, N. Y. *Children:*

Abigail<sup>5</sup>, b. —————; m. Nov. 18, 1764, Eliphalet Wilcox, and d. May 12, 1819.

Asa<sup>5</sup>, b. 1770; m. (1) Jan. 12, 1792, Martha<sup>5</sup> Smith (Capt. John<sup>4</sup>); m. (2) Mrs. Elizabeth (Andrus) Gilbert widow of Titus Gilbert of Paris, N. Y. Rem. to Paris, N. Y.

Ira<sup>6</sup> Shepard, m. Mary Avery, dau. of Gardner Avery and Betsy Sage.

Julia<sup>7</sup> Shepard, res. Oneida, N. Y.

Susan<sup>7</sup> Shepard, m. John Ould.

Sophia<sup>8</sup> Ould, m. James M. Hart of Oswego, N. Y.

(See the Ranney Family.)

[LINE OF MRS. ELIZABETH SHEPARD (CRITTENDEN) WILCOX—  
Abraham<sup>3</sup> Crittenden, m. Susannah<sup>2</sup> Kirby (John<sup>1</sup>).

Dr. Daniel<sup>4</sup> Crittenden, m. Patience Bradley.

Dr. Hopestill<sup>5</sup> Crittenden, m. Mary Bacon.

Lt. Daniel<sup>6</sup> Crittenden, m. Rhoda Tryon.

David<sup>7</sup> Crittenden, m. Elizabeth<sup>7</sup> Shepard (Lt. Daniel<sup>6</sup>, Lt. Daniel<sup>5</sup>, John<sup>4</sup> Shepard, m. Sarah Clark).

George<sup>8</sup> Crittenden, m. Ann Eliza Sellew; of their children are Albert Randolph Crittenden and Mrs. Elizabeth Shepard (Crittenden) Wilcox, widow of William Walter Wilcox. Res. Middletown, Conn.

## THE SMITH FAMILY.

1 Lieut. Samuel<sup>1</sup> Smith, "the fellmonger," came from Ipswich, Co. Suffolk, Eng., to Watertown, Mass., in 1634, in the *Elizabeth*; aged thirty-two, wife Elizabeth Chileab, aged thirty-two, and four children, nine, seven, four and one years of age. To Wethersfield in 1635; rep. to Legislature, 1637-1656, part owner, 1649 of the *Tryal*, the first ship built in the Colony; rem. 1659-60, to Hadley, where he held important offices in ch. and State; rep. to Boston, 1661-73; lieut. 1663-78; magistrate; d. 1680.

2 Lieut. Philip<sup>2</sup> Smith, b. abt. 1633; m. Rebecca Foote, dau. of Nathaniel Foote and Elizabeth Deming, of Wethersfield; rem. to Hadley with his father; rep., dea., lieut.; d. Jan. 10, 1685; "murdered with a hideous witchcraft," says Cotton Mather in his "Mag-nalia."

3 The Rev. Joseph<sup>3</sup> Smith, b. 1674, Hadley, Mass.; m. Sept. 18, 1698, Esther Parsons, b. Dec. 24, 1672, dau. of Cornet Joseph Parsons, one of the first settlers of Northampton and Springfield. He grad. Harvard, 1695, taught the Hadley Grammar School, also in Springfield, then preached in Brookfield, Mass. In 1708 went to Cohanzey, Cumberland Co., N. J., where he was ordained, May 10, 1709, pastor by the Philadelphia Presbytery. He officiated for the Horse Neck Society of Greenwich, Conn., a few Sundays, before it was fully organized. He then came to Middletown Upper Houses, as stated in the history contained in this volume, and was installed Jan. 5, 1715, when the church was organized. He d. Sept. 8, 1736, leaving no will. The two daughters quitclaimed to their brother Joseph, all their right and title in the estate, as also did the widow, who named in her deed the negro Cleops. She res. with her son Joseph till her death, May 30, 1760, aged eighty-nine. The Bible which Rev. Mr. Smith used is owned by Mrs. Ruby Kelsey, who gave his communion cup to Mr. R. S. Griswold of the local church. The tablestone is a fine one. The leaden tablet having disappeared, a slate one took its place in 1880, and Miss Fanny Gridley, a descendant, gave the then pastor \$20 to defray its cost.

### *Children:*

Martha, b. Sept. 17, 1699; m. Nov. 30, 1721, Richard Hamlin. (See Giles Hamlin Genealogy.)



SOME OLD CROMWELL DWELLINGS

NATHANIEL CHAUNCEY HOUSE, 1750  
REV. JOSEPH SMITH HOUSE, 1717

DEACON THOMAS JOHNSON HOUSE, 1750  
THOMAS STOW HOUSE, 1713



ABRAHAM RANNEY HOUSE  
JOSEPH TOCKER HOUSE



OLD BRICK WAREHOUSE  
EDWARD SAVAGE HOUSE



HOUSES IN CROMWELL  
BENJAMIN BUTLER HOUSE





4 Joseph, b. 1704.

Mary, b. 1707; m. Dec. 10, 1729, Rev. Samuel Tudor, of East Windsor, Conn.

4 Ensign Joseph<sup>4</sup> Smith, b. 1704; m. Dec. 20, 1726, Elizabeth Bulkeley, b. Jan. 4, 1705; d. Oct. 20, 1761, dau. of Capt. and Esquire Edward Bulkeley, b. 1673; d. Aug. 27, 1748 (son of Rev. Gershom Bulkeley and Sarah Chauncey of Wethersfield) and Dorothy Prescott, b. May 31, 1781, dau. of Capt. Jonathan Prescott of Concord, Mass. Soon after the death of his father he sold the house built by or for his father, who was to furnish the glass and the nails, according to the deed from the Society's committee in 1717. With the house he included about six rods square of land, with a lane one rod wide running towards the river, together with all the river front. The fence back of the Bond house shows the rear line of this river end. Ensign Joseph continued to occupy the "Webster" house, and built for his son James the house lately torn down and which stood between the "Webster" house and the parsonage house, now known as the "Greaves" house. The homestead lot was divided between James and Edward, who received the "Webster" house. To his three other sons he gave lands in the Nuiks and all three built thereon, or had built for them. After naming his five sons and their share in the real estate, he added in his will, "I give them equally my negro-man Cloip or Peter. But they nor either of them shall not sell him out of the family unless by his own choice, and if he should live to want support more than he can earn by his own labor, he shall be comfortably provided for by my sons at equal expense, if they don't otherwise agree." Ensign Joseph Smith d. Jan. 16, 1769; she d. Oct. 15, 1761. His account book is in possession of the compiler of this volume. His autograph and that of Samuel Gaylord are taken therefrom.

*Children:*

Martha, b. Apr. 15, 1728; m. Hanover Knapp; res. in "Lower Houses."

5 James, b. Jan. 2, 1730.

Elizabeth, b. Dec. 31, 1733; d. Sept. 30, 1789; m. Aug. 20, 1755, John<sup>5</sup> Cornwall, of East Middletown. (See William Cornwall Genealogy.)

Joseph, b. Mar. 16, 1736; d. Oct. 6, 1741.

6 John, b. Mar. 26, 1738.

7 Nathaniel, bapt. June 29, 1740.

Joseph, bapt. Mar. 6, 1743; m. (1) Margaret Gaylord, dau.

of Capt. Samuel Gaylord and Margaret Clark. (See Gaylord Family.) Built on his patrimony the "Bowers" House and entertained lavishly. Served on a privateer, Capt. Joseph Smith d. July 13, 1804. Daughters m. and rem. to Southington, Conn.

Edward, bapt. Mar. 22, 1747; m. Aug. 25, 1774, Sarah Moore. Lived and died in the original Robert Webster house.  
Mary, bapt. Feb. 12, 1748; d. 1765.

5 James<sup>5</sup> Smith, b. Jan. 2, 1730; m. Mary Tudor, his cousin, whose M T spoons are owned by Mrs. Ruby Kelsey. He served in Rev. War. He d. Mar. 8, 1820; she d. Apr. 23, 1835, aged ninety-five.

*Children:*

Samuel, bapt. Aug. 21, 1762; m. —————; d. a prisoner of war in New York, July 7, 1782. State paid in 1789 what was due for his services. (See No. 14, Haskell's Record, Sept. 1, 1789, in office of Treas. of Conn.)

Sarah, bapt. Dec. 30, 1764; m. Samuel Talcott, of Bolton.

8 Oliver, bapt. Sept. 20, 1767; m. Martha Hanmer, of Wethersfield.

Mary, bapt. Dec. 2, 1775; m. Ebenezer Hunt of Bolton.

James, bapt. May 29, 1774; d. 1796, in Jamaica, W. I.

Thomas, bapt. Sept. 8, 1776.

Reuben, bapt. June 13, 1779; d. Nov. 24, 1804.

Ursula, bapt. June 16, 1782; d. unm. 1874.

6 Capt. John<sup>5</sup> Smith, bapt. Mar. 26, 1738; m. (1) Oct. 22, 1761, Lucy Montague (see Montague Lineage.) He built in the Nuiks, on his patrimony, a brick house not now standing. He sold this and bought the original Thomas Hubbard house with an acre of land attached. He was a noted sea captain, served on a privateer, was part owner of a wharf. His wife d. Feb. 19, 1777, and he m. (2) Polly Elliott, eldest daughter of John Elliott. He d. suddenly Mar. 23, 1786. She d. 1809. (See Elliott Genealogy.)

*Children by first marriage:*

Lucy, bapt. Feb. 14, 1762; d. Dec. 30, 1764.

Elizabeth, bapt. Jan. 15, 1764; m. Sept. 26, 1784, Isaac Gridley. (See the Gridley Family.)

John, bapt. Dec. 1, 1765; m. Oct. 10, 1791, Lucy Ranney (Abijah). Built, 1803, the "Brooks" house. Wife d. Nov. 24, 1803. *Child:*

Lucy, bapt. July 7, 1793; m. Elisha Phelps of Simsbury.

Congressman and otherwise much noted. (See Phelps Genealogy.) Capt. John Smith rem. to Simsbury, where he d. Dec. 27, 1837.

Lucy, bapt. Mar. 13, 1768; m. July 18, 1790, Lewis Samuel Sage, and rem. to Northampton, Mass.

Joseph, bapt. Jan. 3, 1770; d. at sea Sept. 14, 1795.

Martha, bapt. Mar. 28, 1773; m. Jan. 12, 1792, Asa Shepard (Capt. Jared). Rem. to Paris, N. Y.

William, bapt. Jan. 22, 1775; m. (1) Oct. 15, 1797, Betsey Haskell. He d. at sea. She m. (2) Deacon Russell Wilcox, of western part of town.

*Children by second marriage:*

Roswell, bapt. Apr. 25, 1779.

Luther, bapt. Feb. 10, 1782; m. Mary Ranney (Joseph).

Kate, bapt. Oct. 5, 1783; m. ————— Churchill; rem. to Meriden. They kept the first railroad restaurant in that city.

Calvin, bapt. Feb. 18, 1785.

7 Nathaniel<sup>5</sup> Smith, bapt. June 29, 1740; m. Apr. 21, 1766, Sarah Ranney (Ebenezer). Built on his patrimony in the Nuiks the house lately rem. by Josiah B. Stocking. He d. Aug. 15, 1829. She d. Sept. 23, 1786. Of their

*Children:*

Sarah<sup>6</sup>, bapt. Apr. 26, 1772; m. Feb. 2, 1800, Seth Belden. He d. Dec. 13, 1846; she d. Sept. 1, 1854.

Louisa<sup>7</sup> Belden, m. Charles Bell. Miss Anna<sup>9</sup> Francis, of Glenbrook, Conn., is her granddaughter.

[BELDEN LINEAGE—Seth Belden, son of Seth of Wethersfield, b. 1747, m. (1) Sally ———, who d. Mar. 16, 1769, in her 21st year. He m. (2) Apr. 16, 1772, Christiana Dickinson, b. 1755. He was killed Aug. 27, 1776, in the battle of Long Island, leaving sons Seth and Asher, b. 1772, d. Aug. 12, 1863, who settled in Upper Houses with their mother Christiana. She did not receive a pension till 1840. She d. Aug. 9, 1844, aged 89. Her grave is decorated with a Betsy Ross flag and flowers on Bunker Hill and other days in memory of her patriot husband.]

8 Oliver Smith, bapt. Sept. 20, 1767; m. June 15, 1820, Martha Hanmer of Wethersfield; d. June 4, 1836; a prominent captain in the merchant marine service. She d. Sept. 13, 1862.

*Children:*

- Martha, bapt. Nov. 16, 1800; m. Dr. D. B. Brooks. She. d. Dec. 8, 1866. He d. 1830. *Children:*  
 Elizabeth Ann, b. 1824; d. unm., Apr. 26, 1874.  
 David Brainard, b. May 20, 1828; d. Oct. 15, 1898; m. Dec. 4, 1873, Rosa Amelia Merrill, d. Jan. 18, 1884, dau. of Rev. Franklin Merrill. *Children:*  
 David B., b. Dec. 21, 1874; d. 1876.  
 Merrill Dowd, b. Apr. 7, 1878; m. Apr. 28, 1900, Josephine Wirsching, b. July 23, 1881. Res. Cromwell.  
*Children:*  
 Anna Rose, b. Nov. 11, 1900.  
 Merrill Dowd, b. Mar. 22, 1903.  
 Evelyn Beatrice, b. May 7, 1905; d. Aug. 15, 1907.  
 David B., b. Apr. 11, 1880; m. and res. Portland, Ore.  
 Mary Ann, bapt. Oct. 20, 1805; m. John James Hanmer.  
 Oliver Tudor, bapt. Oct. 20, 1805; d. May 26, 1808.  
 Elizabeth, d. 1892; m. Hiram Horton.

	for 1 day to pick corn	00	02	00
	for 1 barrel of ridd	00	10	00
	for 1 day to cart dung	00	05	00
	for 1 day to stuy out at wanyog	00	02	00
	for 1 day to make hay	00	02	00
	for your son golob 2 days to cart dung	00	07	00
	for 1 day of nathanial	00	07	00
	for 1 day of nathanial	00	07	00
	for 4 1/2 cords of wood	00	12	00
	for 2 cords of wood	00	07	00
	for 2 cords of wood	00	07	00
1707	received and due on the 11th			
1707	for 1 day work of john	00	07	00
	for 1 day to mow at wanyog	00	07	00
	for 1 day to mow at wanyog	00	07	00
	for 2 cords of wood	00	12	00
	for 2 cords of wood	00	07	00
1708	for 2 cords of wood at wanyog	00	14	00
	for 2 bushels of wheat and 2 barrels of flour	01	08	00
	for 2 bushels of indian corn	00	06	00
	for 2 pounds and half of butter	00	00	00
	for 10 bushels of milk	00	00	00
February 22 1708	received and due on the 22nd			
1709	for 4 bushels of rye	00	14	00
	for 4 bushels of wheat	00	14	00
	for 2 bushels of rye	00	07	00
1710	for 1 barrel of rye	00	07	00
	for 4 bushels of wheat and 4 of rye	01	13	00
	for 5 days work of nathanial	00	12	00
	for town money received by samuel	01	01	00
	received town collector	00	00	00
	by money 6-11 wanyog	00	00	00
	for 4 bushels of wheat	01	04	00
	for a cow	04	10	00
	for 2 bushels of rye	00	07	00

A LEAF FROM JOHN WARNER'S ACCOUNT WITH THOMAS RANNEY  
(See page 152)



THE HOUSE OF CAPT. ABNER SMITH  
(See page 675)



THE SAMUEL SPENCER HOUSE AS MODERNIZED  
(See page 544)

## THE ABNER SMITH FAMILY

The Town of Haddam was settled in 1662 by Hartford families. Among them was Simon<sup>1</sup> Smith, whose son was

Benjamin<sup>2</sup> Smith, whose son was

Benjamin<sup>3</sup> Smith. He purchased land in the Upper Houses and deeded it to his son, Abner<sup>4</sup> Smith, in January, 1776.

Abner<sup>4</sup> Smith, b. Dec. 28, 1728, Haddam, was the son of Benjamin<sup>3</sup> Smith and Hepzibah Spencer. He m. (1) Apr. 26, 1750, Mehitable Knowles, b. \_\_\_\_\_; d. Sept. 1, 1783; dau. of John and Mehitable Knowles; m. (2) Oct. 11, 1780, Rebecca Gibbs; m. (3) May 25, 1784, Deborah Brainerd, who d. Aug. 20, 1809, aged 66, widow of John Brainerd; m. (4) Oct. 25, 1809, widow Anna Rash of Rocky Hill. He d. May 4, 1812, and is buried in the West Cromwell Cemetery, and a bronze marker of the S. A. R. is placed at his grave.

In 1771 a train band was organized in the Ponsett district of Haddam and he served as its captain. In 1775 he was a lieutenant in the Army of Defense serving from May 1. In Jan., 1776, he built in the Upper Houses the house seen in this volume. He served as captain through the greater part of the Revolutionary War. To him and his first wife were born twelve children. In Nov., 1771, the ten then living were baptized in Haddam. Of these Dorothy, b. Feb. 7, 1755, m. \_\_\_\_\_ Towner; Mehitable, b. Jan. 19, 1757, m. Aug. 20, 1778, Timothy White (146), and d. Sept. 1, 1794; Sarah, m. \_\_\_\_\_ Rowland; Jerusha, m. Dec. 13, 1781, Luther Savage; Hepzibah, m. \_\_\_\_\_ Love. Of John the Cromwell Church record reads: "Feb. 20, 1780, heard of the death of John Smith, son of Capt. Abner Smith, prisoner in New York." There were no children by the second marriage. By the third marriage there were Betsy, bapt. May 18, 1788, who m. Feb. 17, 1808, John Mildrum, son of John Mildrum and Lucretia Kirby, ancestors of Mrs. Timothy Ranney, and John Brainerd, bapt. Nov. 16, 1788.

John Brainerd<sup>5</sup> Smith, b. Sept. 5, 1788; d. Jan. 18, 1868; m. Fanny Pardee, b. June 26, 1797, Southington, Conn.; d. Mar. 21, 1873; dau. of Daniel Pardee, b. Oct. 19, 1762, Southington; d. Mar. 28, 1852; a Revolutionary pensioner. His application for a pension states that he served in 1779, 1780, and 1781, under

Captains Asa Bray, Ten Eyck, and Mathew Smith. He was the son of David \* Pardee who d. May 28, 1821, aged 80, and Phebe, his wife, who d. Nov. 30, 1822, both buried in old Cromwell Cemetery. Their daughter Lois m. William Lincoln, bapt. Feb. 3, 1765, Upper Houses, son of Mordecai Lincoln and Abiah Eells who had come here to reside. William Lincoln's sons were William, Daniel, and Asa. The children of Asa, residing in Cromwell, are Charles Lincoln and Mrs. Charles H. Jones.

Daniel Pardee had eight children. Of his children

Sally, b. May 11, 1794, Southington; m. Alanson Stow. The children were Caroline, James, Asa Bray, Horace, Sarah Ann, and Flora Ann. The children of Horace residing in Cromwell are Mrs. Albert J. Briggs and Miss Nellie.

Fanny, b. June 21, 1797; m. John Brainerd Smith. Their son

Luther Savage<sup>6</sup> Smith, b. June 4, 1815, d. Jan. 21, 1903, was an active business man through a long life, retaining to the last his remarkable memory. He m. (2) Dec. 31, 1851, Clarissa (Richmond) Foote, widow of an Episcopal clergyman. *Children:*

George Richmond<sup>7</sup>, b. Nov. 15, 1852; m. Isabel Ross, dau. of Abram Ross and Eliza Steed. Farmer, F. & A. M. Res. Cromwell.

Helen Foote, b. July 12, 1855; d. in infancy.

Charles Luther, b. May 31, 1857.

Cora Adelaide, b. Oct. 2, 1860; m. Egbert Darwin Hammond. Res. Hartford, Conn. *Children:*

Luther.

Darwin.

Helen.

\* See Appendix.



## THE STOCKING FAMILY \*

1 George Stocking, his wife Anna, and their four children came over in 1633, in the ship *Griffin*, which brought the Hooker company. His antecedents are unknown, but the name Stockin, Stocken, Stocking can be found in the Domesday Book. He built a house in Cambridge, at the corner of Holyoke and Winthrop streets. He was made a freeman May 6, 1635, and in 1636 came with Hooker to Hartford, being one of the original founders and a prominent proprietor. He was selectman in 1647; surveyor of highways in 1654 and 1662; chimney viewer in 1659 and was excused in 1660 from military duty owing to his "great age." He d. May 25, 1683, aged 101 years and his name is among the one hundred cut in the brown stone obelisk erected in the old Center Church burial ground. His will, made July 15, 1673, names his wife, Anna, and each of his children. His only son, Samuel, was his chief heir and the executor of his estate.

### *Children:*

- 2 Samuel, b. \_\_\_\_\_.  
Sarah, b. \_\_\_\_\_; m. Samuel Olcott.  
Lydia, b. \_\_\_\_\_; m. John Richards.  
Hannah, b. \_\_\_\_\_; m. 1649, Andrew Benton.

2 Samuel<sup>2</sup> Stocking (George<sup>1</sup>), b. in England about 1620, removed 1850-1, with others, from Hartford to Middletown Upper Houses. His adjoining neighbor was George Grave, whose father had witnessed his own father's will. His home-lot is shown on the map of 1675. He was one of the three signers in 1673 of the Indian deed. When the church on the "south side" was organized in 1668, he was one of the original members. He represented the town in the General Assembly for seven years, and held local offices and served on many committees. He was a sergeant in King Philip's war. He and each of the four others who located on the same side of the street was given two acres on the west side. The four others returned to Hartford and Wethersfield and he

\*The numbering is the same as in "The Stocking Family" by the Rev. C. H. W. Stocking, D. D.

had his west side two acres increased to eight and then to eleven and he built his barn on the west side. The well is still in use.

He m. Bethia Hopkins, dau. of John and Jane Hopkins, and granddaughter of Samuel Hopkins, one of the signers of the *Mayflower Compact*, in 1620. He d. Dec. 30, 1683, and the widow m. James Steel, of Hartford, who had to sue for his wife to get what her first husband had given her by his will. It will be seen that he remembered his pastor in his will, which was witnessed by Nathaniel White and John Savidge, Sr., while his codicil was witnessed by his pastor and by Nathaniel White, who, with pastor Collins, had laid hands on him to ordain him one of the first deacons in 1670. The anxiety to have his children brought up in the "Nurture and Admonition of the Lord" is made known therein.

#### WILL OF DEACON SAMUEL<sup>2</sup> STOCKING.

Dated in Middletowne 13th of November 1683.

Know all men, whome these presents may concern: That I Samuell Stocking Senior of MiddleTowne, In the corporation of Connecticut and County of Hartford; Beeing under Bodily weakness, but otherwise in perfect use of my understanding and memory: Committing my Soul into ye hands of Jesus Christ my Redeemer in hopes of finding mercy through his merits, and leaving my body unto decent Buriall according to ye Discretion of my Beloved wife, Executor and overseers, Do Leave this as my Last will & Testament concerning that outward estate which God hath entrusted me with as a steward thereof.

1. Imprim. All just Debts & Legacies beeing first payed by my Executor, I give unto my Loveing wife Bethia Stocking my whole Homestead lying on both sides of ye Highway with all ye buildings thereon and appurtainances thereto belonging with my whole Lot at Pistol-point; and half my Meadow lying on ye other side of ye Brooke, that is to say, that part of it that lyeth next ye great River, with all my Meadow Land at Wongunk, both plowing and mowing, together with all my stock and moveables. These I give and bequeath her my loveing wife during ye Terme of her Widdowhood, and upon Marrying again I will to her four pounds yearly to be paid to her by my Executor to be raised out of that estate which I bequeath my Son Daniel Stockin, with the use of the one half of ye moveables (if she see cause), which aforesaid four pounds is to be payed in currant pay of ye Country and both that and the aforesaid moveables to be onely dureing the Terme of her naturall life. It is moreover my will that my said wife upon her marriage

(in case she marry again) divide the one half of ye moveables equally between my two daughters Bethia and Lydia, and that the other half of ye moveables whereof she stood posest, be at hir decease, in like manner divided, between my aforesaid daughters.

2. I give to my Samll. Stocking my whole allotment upon ye Hill between be Land of Lieutennt. White and Israel Wilcox; onely excepting six Acres Adjoining to ye land of Lieut. White, whlich I give to my daughter Bethia, to hir and hir heirs forever More over I give to my son Samuel, The Remaining half of ye Meadow over the Brook with ten acres of the swamp adjoining to it. Moreover I give him my whole allotment at the Cold Spring on ye west side of ye Highway to Hartford, Moreover I give to him my said son Samuell, the whole of my lot at Pipe Stave Swamp with ye half of my alotment next unto Wethersfield Bounds with the half Lott at pistol point, on his mothers Decease, or change of her condition by Marriage. These unto him and his heirs forever.

3. I give unto my Son John Stocking the whole of ye lands and Buildings my Father Stockin deceased bequeathed me by his last Will and Testament within ye Township of Hartford, These to him and his heirs forever, he paying the due debts and legacies bequeathed in the aforesaid will, which the other estate willed me by my said father deceased will not amount unto.

4. I give unto my daughter Lydia, my lott lying next unto Thomas Rannie's abutting upon ye common west and Dead Swamp east. This I give to hir and hir heirs forever with a good Milch Cow to be delivered hir within a twelmonth after my decease.

5. I give to my sons George & Ebenezer, all my lands on ye east side of the great River, both meadow and upland, to be equally divided between them, excepting the one half of my Great lot next unto Haddam Bounds, these as before specified I give to them and their heirs forever.

6. I give to my son Steven my whole lott upon the Hill, bounded upon ye land of Thomas Rannie, North, the common, east west and south: with my whole allotment in the boggy meadow with all my meadow and upland in the farther neck. Thes I give to him and his heirs forever, giving the improvement of ye boggy meadow unto my son Samuell till the aforesaid child come of age to inherit.

7. I give to my son Daniel, my whole homestead lying on both sides of ye Highway with all ye buildings, with my whole lott in ye Long Meadow, with the half of my lot at pistol point, and half my meadow over ye Brooke with the remainder of the swamp adjoining thereto, with the one half of my lot lying on ye west side

of ye as you go to Hartford, Adjoining to the land of Anthony Martin on ye North, the land of Thomas Ranny south, ye highway east, and common west. This I say I give to my son Daniel that is to say the west end of it, ye other half of said lott to my son Samuell. These aforementioned parcels as specified I give to him my said son Daniel and his heires forever. wth ye other half of my lot next Wethersfield Bounds.

8. I give unto or Pastor Mr. Nathaniell Collins (as an expression of my affectionate Respect to him) three pounds to be payd within a year after my decease.

9. Moreover I leave my son Samuell Stocking Sole Executor of this my Last Will & Testament willing that what needfull expens he is at in ye execution hereof, be well and truely payed him out of the stock before distribution be made, and ye remaining stock be upon my wife hir decease or marriage distributed equally among all my children.

10. It is also my will that in case any of ye children decease before they come of age to inherit that then the estate of the child deceased be divided among those of them whoe survive, In Manner following, that is to say, that my son Samuell have a Double the rest an equal or part thereof.

Finally. It is also my will, That my Respected and Beloved brethren Mr. Nathaniell White and John Savage Senior, should accept the oversight of the execution of this my last Will and Testament in all and each the peticulars of it, which office of Love I request from them, and in speciall (as in all things needful to afford their oversight and counsel, so I say in speciall) that my children be brought up in the Nurture and Admonition of the Lord. And that this is my Last Will And Testament I witness by subscribing my hand this 13th day of November in the yeare of or Lord 1683.

Signed In presens of us

Nath: White

John Savidg Senr.

*Samuell Stocking Senior*

Upon further and serious consideration I, underwritten being stil in perfect use of my reason and memory as aforesaid though under increaseing bodily weakness, see cause to make this following Alteration in my Abovementioned Last Will and Testament, Namely, I will and Bequeath my whole lot in ye Long meadow to my Son Samuell and his heirs forever which I had formerly given in my above written will to my son Daniel, ye use of it to remain unto my loveing wife during ye state of hir widdow hood and that this is my last Will and Testament in reference to ye

premises I witness by subscribeing my hand this 25th of December  
in ye year 1683.

Signed in ye presence of us

Nath: White,  
Nathanll Collins.

His inventory concluded as follows:

To washers & exnayls 1s-6d	To cart & wheles 10s	00	11	06
To two old boxes 2s	To a small hand saw 1s	two hogs 2lb		
14s on sow 1lb	five shoats 2lb-10s		06	07 00
To a broad shovell 2s	four broad hows & an old pickax & another old ax 6s		00	08 00
To a from ward 3s	two old axes 3s	To four pichforks 4s to a hay knife 4s	00	14 00
To tackelling for a sith 2s-6d	on peas hook 1s	To four pound of lead 1s-4d	00	04 10
To an old harrow 5s	two old sithes 2s		00	07 00
To two oxen 12lb	the old Red Cow 3lb-15s	the other Red Cow 3lb-5s	19	00 00
To two black Cows 7lb	two hifers 7lb	on hifer 2lb-5s on bull 1lb-15s	18	00 00
To two callves 2lb	on mare 4lb	To twelve sheep 7lb-4	13	04 00
To the dwelling hous 80lb	and the barne 10lb		90	00 00
To the home lott three acres 24lb	to eight acres over the way where the barn is 40lb		64	00 00
To three acres in the long meadow 21lb	to eight acres of meadow by the dead swamp 48lb		69	00 00
To four acres at pistle point 20lb	two acres & a halfe of bogie meadow 15lb		35	00 00
To two acres & halfe of meadow in the neck 4lb	& three three acres of upland 3lb		07	00 00
To fifteen acres of upland 15lb	to six acres 10lb		25	00 00
To a percell of land on the east side the way to Wethersfield			08	00 00

The legatees:

Sammuell Stockine 27 year old;  
John Stockin 23 year old;  
Georg 19 year old;  
Ebenezer 17 year old;  
Stephen 10 year old;  
Danill 6 year old;  
Bethia Stow 25 year;  
Lidea Stockine 21 year.

*Children:*

Hannah, b. Oct. 30, 1654; d. before 1683.

Samuel, b. Oct. 19, 1656; d. Dec. 2, 1697, unm.

Bethia, b. Oct. 10, 1658; m. Thomas Stow (see Stow Family).

John, b. Sept. 24, 1660, a "distracted person," unm. July  
31, 1690, in Hartford Court: "John Stocking fined five  
pounds for discharging his Gun or pistol in the Midle of

the Towne, against the express command of Joseph Mygatt, the corporal of the watch, which caused an alarm, to the great disturbance of the Towne."

Lydia, b. June 20, 1662; m. (1) Joseph Howell; (2) Edward Rayner, both of Southold, L. I. Judge Rayner was son of Thurston Rayner, who came in 1634.

George, b. Feb. 20, 1664; m. Elizabeth ————. Rem. to Southold, L. I. Ret. and settled on the East Side; d. Feb. 17, 1714. Widow m. Deacon Samuel Hall, who in 1710 had moved to the east side. (See the Hall Family.)

Ebenezer, b. Feb. 23, 1666; d. before 1697.

Steven, b. Mar. 23, 1673; d. before 1697.

14 Daniel, b. Apr. 14, 1677.

14 Daniel<sup>3</sup> Stocking (Samuel<sup>2</sup>, George<sup>1</sup>), b. Apr. 14, 1677, Upper Houses; was only six years of age when his father died, and as his mother had m. James Steele, of Hartford, it may be that he was brought up by his sister, Bethiah Stow, on the homestead given her by her father. His brother Samuel, unm., died in 1698. Daniel m. Aug. 27, 1700, Jane Mould, dau. of Hugh Mould and Martha Coit, of New London. He d. ————, 1733, and she d. Apr. 1, 1758.

Timothy Sage had inherited the homestead of his father on the west side of the highway. The Kirby homestead, which had been bought by Samuel<sup>3</sup> Stocking, and by him given to his sister Lydia, must have been given to Daniel, so that Daniel owned on the west side to the Sage line. The following taken from the Middletown Land Records, Vol. 4, explains itself:

"We the subscribers here unto haveing been summoned to take the free holders oath before John Hamlin Esq; and required to settle bounds between the lands of Timothy Sage and Daniel Stocking, of Middletown, as the law directs—fol. 246:247:

"And upon the 28th day of June, 1722: We proceeded on said work; haveing heard both by Daniel Stocking & Timothy Sage what they could say; & Received what Intelligence we could concerning the bounds between sd Stocking & sd Sage: between their adjoining lands on the north side the ferry River sd Sage's land being his hom lott & sd Stockings land adjoining on the north side. We did go first to the Westernmost end of sd lotts In company with the above sd Stocking & sd Sage where we did see that the fence had settled towards the south. The old stakes lyeing near the bottom of the fence & newer stakes sett near the top of the old stakes and we also scraped away the trash stiks & leaves on

the north side said fence at the Roots of the old stakes where we found the hoales of the old stakes; and also in the fence at the west end sd lotta we saw three stones newly had been laid against an elme stump, sd Stocking was then asked how these stones came there: he Replied: that he had laid them there: he was also asked, where he had them he told us there, which was near three foot from sd Elme stump and the trash being scraped away we saw the hoales where two of sd stones had lay, which we tryed and laid into the same hoales againe & then viewed the hoales of the old stakes which Ranged directly to the two stones which we had then new Relayed into the old hoales near three foot north ward from the above said Elm stump, & on the south side an ash stump, and we haveing viewed and heard what both parties had to say, we pitched a stone on the south side the above sd two stones, for the bound between sd Stocking and sd Sages land there, which stone was marked on the south side with: T S: & on the north side with four strokes or scratches, and we marked the top of the stone with a cross; after that we went to the eastermost end of the same lotta with said, Stocking & Sage there being present Tho<sup>s</sup> Stow, Sr, Ebenezer Banny & Sam<sup>l</sup> Stow; we examined & searched for the true bounds & the best Information we could attaine & finding the eastermost post something more southerly than the other which stone stood very very strait & near to a range of fruit trees, which sd Sage told us were planted by his brother Jonathan before his father's death and we searched near to the easter most post in sd deviding fence & we found a stone standing up on edge near to sd post & another flat stone leaning on the top of sd stone which seemed to us very provable to be the bounds and of long standing; & we pitched a long stone on the south side sd two stones as close to sd Eastermost post as we could) to be the bound between the above said lotta, between sd Stocking & sd Sage; but Daniel Stocking pulled up that long stone which we last pitched for the bounds & flung it over into the street, before we had gone many Rods from it."

"JOSEPH ROCKWELL,

"NATHANIELL BROWN;

"SAMUEL GIPSON."

\* "A True Record of the free holder's Return.

"Test: Joseph Rockwell, Register

*Of their children:*

45 Joseph, b. Feb. 27, 1763.

John, b. July 14, 1797; m. Dec. 27, 1749, Mary Hall. He bought the Wilcox 14 acres, and died Feb. 25, 1750, at

*John Chauncey*

"Statia." The widow inherited the property by his will and m. (2) Jan. 10, 1751, Nathaniel Chauncey. Their son, John Stocking

Chauncey, was killed after he had surrendered at Brandywine. He made his will before leaving home, and his autograph is here given.

50 Elisha, b. Mar. 25, 1714.

45 Joseph Stocking<sup>4</sup> (Daniel<sup>3</sup>, Samuel<sup>2</sup>, George<sup>1</sup>), b. Feb. 27, 1703, Upper Houses; m. (1) Dec. 20, 1726, Abigail<sup>3</sup> Ranney (Joseph<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>); m. (2) widow Hannah Magill. He was known as "Captain." In 1727 his father deeded to him an acre of land on the corner of the lot on the west side of the street, on which he built. In 1732 his brothers and sisters quitclaimed to him the 12 or 14 acres remaining on that side. She d. Mar. 26, 1783, he Oct. 16, 1783. Of his children by the first wife, who d. July 1, 1777, there was

*Child*

96 Daniel, b. Jan. 18, 1728.

50 Elisha<sup>4</sup> Stocking (brother to Joseph), b. Mar. 25, 1714, Upper Houses; m. (1) Jan. 26, 1737, Rachel<sup>3</sup> Ranney (Joseph<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>), sister to his brother's first wife, who d. Mar. 7, 1739. He m. (2) Feb. 15, 1740, Margery Wilcox (Francis), who d. June 1757. He m. (3) Thankful (Sage) Butler, widow of Benj.<sup>3</sup> Butler, and dau. of John<sup>2</sup> Sage and Hannah Starr. He received the Deacon Stocking house and lot, the original one, on the east side of the highway from his father, Daniel<sup>3</sup>, and it remained in the possession of his descendants till a few years ago. He was serving as Q. M. of a Troop of Horse in the militia when he d., Apr. 4, 1775. Of his

*Children:*

Lucy, b. June 10, 1737; m. Nov. 27, 1755; Thomas<sup>4</sup> Kirby.  
(See the Kirby Family.)

Sarah, b. Feb. 28, 1739; m. 1760, Nathaniel Savage.

114 Zebulon, bapt. Apr. 4, 1742.

Rachel, bapt. June 29, 1743; m. Capt. Eli Butler (see The Butler Family).

John, bapt. May 6, 1750, served in Rev. War.

119 Elisha, bapt. Apr. 21, 1754.

120 William, bapt. June 26, 1757.



96 Daniel<sup>5</sup> Stocking (Joseph<sup>4</sup>, Daniel<sup>3</sup>, Samuel<sup>2</sup>, George<sup>1</sup>), b. Jan. 18, 1728, Upper Houses; m. (1) ———, Sarah Gould, dau. of Rev. Hezekiah Gould, of Stratford, Conn., who d. Aug. 4, 1756; m. (2) Sept. 21, 1757, Bethia<sup>4</sup> Kirby (John<sup>3</sup>, Joseph<sup>2</sup>, John<sup>1</sup>), who d. Jan. 14, 1823. He grad. at Yale in 1748, and was known as "Master Stocking." He d. Dec. 24, 1800. His father bought and presented to him, 1745, the John Clark place of 12 acres, where he lived till Jan. 17, 1761, when he sold it to Solomon Sage, in exchange for the Sage homestead next south of his father's, to which he removed. He built the mansion now standing there and in 1788 gave it to his son Samuel. It has since been known as the "Dr. Hand" house, because it was the home of Dr. Hand and his Stocking wife after they returned from a short residence in what is East Berlin. Of the

*Children by first marriage:*

Mary Ann, bapt. Mar. 5, 1752; m. David White.

262 Jozeb, bapt. Jan. 16, 1755.

114 Capt. Zebulon<sup>6</sup> Stocking (Elisha<sup>5</sup>, Joseph<sup>4</sup>, Daniel<sup>3</sup>, Samuel<sup>2</sup>, George<sup>1</sup>), bapt. Apr. 4, 1742, Upper Houses; m. Apr. 6, 1765, Martha Edwards. He d. Apr. 15, 1783; she m. (2) Hezekiah Ranney, and d. Nov. 14, 1790.

*Children:*

Lucy, b. May 5, 1765; m. Apr. 30, 1788, Hezekiah Warner.

David, bapt. May 1, 1767.

Lucretia, bapt. Feb. 17, 1769; m. May 2, 1790, Hezekiah Kirby.

Martha, bapt. Mar. 17, 1771; m. July 8, 1792, Israel Kelsey (see the Kelsey Family).

119 Elisha<sup>6</sup> Stocking (bro. to Zebulon), bapt. Apr. 21, 1734, Upper Houses; m. Dec. 15, 1793, Susanna<sup>5</sup> Hamlin. (William<sup>4</sup>, Nathaniel<sup>3</sup>, William<sup>2</sup>, Giles<sup>1</sup>.) Was in Rev. War. She d. Aug. 13, 1825. He d. Mar. 10, 1826.

*Children:*

Elisha, b. 1787; d. Oct. 9, 1853, unm. Was a merchant in Cromwell.

319 Henry, b. 1795.

120 William<sup>6</sup> Stocking (bro. to Zebulon), bapt. June 26, 1757, Upper Houses; m. (1) Elizabeth ———, who d. Nov. 8, 1787;

m. (2) Jan. 8, 1791, Anna Olcott, b. Mar. 10, 1763, Hartford, Conn., d. Dec. 23, 1856. He d. July 3, 1795. Was in Rev. army.

*Of the children:*

326 George, b. Feb. 11, 1795.

262 Jozeb<sup>6</sup> Stocking (Daniel<sup>5</sup>), b. June 11, 1754, Upper Houses; m. June 5, 1775, Anna Sheldon, b. Sept. 6, 1759, sister of Caleb Sheldon, of E. Hartford. He inherited from his grandfather Joseph, will of 1784, the homestead and, 1790, built the fine mansion standing on the corner and seen herewith. He set out the great maple trees standing to-day. He was in the legislature 1815, 1816. With Joshua Stow he bought 11,423 acres of land in the Western Reserve of Ohio, being one of the incorporators of the Connecticut Land Co. of 1795. He d. June 28, 1841. She d. Mar. 24, 1828.

*Children:*

522 Anna Sheldon, b. Mar. 23, 1778; m. Samuel Latimer. Betsy, b. Nov. 27, 1779; d. May 22, 1883.

524 Horace, b. Nov. 28, 1785.

Zebulon, b. Apr. 31, 1788; d. Oct. 21, 1809, St. Bartholomew.

526 Sally, b. Sept. 30, 1790.

527 Emily, b. Nov. 29, 1792.

528 Justus, b. Feb. 3, 1796.

319 Henry<sup>7</sup> Stocking, b. 1795, Upper Houses; d. 1875; m. Nov. 24, 1830, Caroline Belcher, b. 1800, d. Nov. 20, 1887. He was a prominent citizen, in West India trade, local merchant and post-master.

*Children:*

Charles Belcher, b. Dec. 6, 1832; m. Harriet Maria Stocking, b. Mar. 28, 1836, dau. of (533) Wm. Stocking. Both dead.

Henry W., b. Oct., 1836; d. July 23, 1892; m. Jan. 21, 1858, Henriette Almira Hubbard, b. Feb. 19, 1835, dau. of Capt. Ralph Hubbard (Simon, Rufus, Capt. Jeremiah, see the Hubbard Family), and Clarissa Johnson Roberts. Mr. Stocking was Capt. of Militia, F. & A. M.; Bapt.; mfr., farmer, trader; in 1888 delegate to Nat. Rep. Conv. Widow res. in Cromwell.

Caroline, b. Nov. 22, 1840; d. Feb. 4, 1893; m. Dec. 5, 1860, Geo. M. Smith. He res. in Middletown, Conn. *Children:* Henry Edmund, m. Emma Lucas; res. Middletown. Louis, unm; res. Middletown.

326 George<sup>6</sup> Stocking (William<sup>5</sup>), b. Feb. 11, 1795; m. Sept. 20, 1821, Sarah Pelton, b. July 31st, 1795. He d. May 11, 1831. She d. Aug. 4, 1878.

*Children:*

Sarah Ann, b. July 20, 1822; m. Nov. 10, 1847, Christopher M. Darrow; d. Apr. 27, 1902.

George Henry, b. May 10, 1824; m. Oct. 27, 1850, Louisa J. Gordon.

Edwin, b. Dec. 31, 1825; d. Mar. 10, 1865.

591 Elisha, b. Jan. 31, 1828.

592 Ralph, b. Apr. 16, 1830.

395 Philo Washburn<sup>7</sup> Stocking (Reuben<sup>6</sup>, Benjamin<sup>5</sup>, Samuel<sup>4</sup>, George<sup>3</sup>, Samuel<sup>2</sup>, George<sup>1</sup>), b. Nov. 10, 1804, Chatham, Conn.; m. Feb. 13, 1834, Nancy J. A. Reynolds, of Wheeling, Va., b. Nov. 22, 1815 Shippensburg, Pa. When four years of age his father rem. to Batavia, N. Y. In 1833 Philo W. rem. to Wheeling, Va., where he married the next year. He engaged in the jewelry business until 1841, when he rem. to Sisterville, Va., now West Virginia, where for 41 years he carried on very successfully the flouring business. He became a large landholder and was one of the first to bore for oil. In selling or leasing land he reserved in every deed certain oil and mineral rights. On May 22, 1865, he began boring a well in Owl Hollow, and after going down 525 feet, the tools were lost and the attempt was abandoned for a time. Later on the effort was successfully renewed and Philo received one-half the product as his royalty, thus laying the secure foundations of great financial prosperity for himself and family. In 1838 he was one of the charter members of Wheeling Commandery of Knights Templar. At 76 years of age he marched in the procession during the 1880 Triennial Conclave in Chicago. He d. Aug. 28, 1882, greatly honored and beloved far and near. He was emphatically a great man in all the essentials of true manhood and was generous to the poor. She d. Jan. 10, 1901.

*Children:*

684 George Washburn, b. Nov. 26, 1834.

683 Virginia E. C., b. Aug. 13, 1836; m. Jan. 5, 1870, Edward Roome.

522 Anna Sheldon<sup>6</sup> Stocking (Jozeb<sup>5</sup>), b. Mar. 23, 1778; bapt. July 26, 1778, Upper Houses; m. Apr. 16, 1797, Samuel<sup>5</sup> Latimer, b. Dec. 15, 1771, Glastonbury, Conn. (Bezaleel<sup>4</sup>, Bezaleel<sup>3</sup>, Sergeant John<sup>2</sup>, John<sup>1</sup> of Wethersfield). He d. Glastonbury, Conn., June —, 1813; she d. Sept. 3, 1866, at Cromwell.

*Children:*

Henry Gould, successful and wealthy merchant in Plainfield, N. J.

Horace, successful merchant in Boston, Mass.

Albert, drowned while skating.

Mary Ann Latimer, b. Oct. 18, 1808, Glastonbury, Conn.; d. Apr. 8, 1884, Wilmington, N. C. She was a lovely and most amiable woman, unselfish, giving up her life to the service of others. At the age of 15 she was the nurse and companion of her mother, and after her death she devoted her life to the care and happiness of her aged uncle, Justus. (See eulogy of Rev. M. L. Dudley at her funeral.) She gave the Congregational Church a thousand dollars for its first pipe organ and in her will left \$1,000 to each cemetery association, and the homestead to her nephew, Mr. William Latimer, who had passed his summer days in boyhood there.

Zebulon<sup>7</sup> Latimer, b. Jan. 1, 1810; m. June 29, 1843, Wilmington, N. C., Elizabeth<sup>7</sup> Savage, b. Oct. 17, 1819 (Capt. Timothy<sup>6</sup>). He d. Nov. 11, 1881. She d. Nov. 11, 1904, aged 85. She was educated at the noted Seminary of the Misses Draper in Hartford, Conn., and was well known in social circles North and South. She was a frequent visitor to Cromwell, before and after her marriage. Mr. Latimer in 1825 went to Edenton, N. C., to engage in business, and in 1832 to Wilmington, where he was a commission merchant and prominent in civil and social circles. *Children:*

William<sup>8</sup> Latimer, b. Jan. 14, 1852; class 1872, Columbia Coll. Sch. of Mines; lawyer by profession; vestryman of St. James Epis. Ch., Wilmington; Trustee of Univ. of the South; Pres. Cape Fear Club; Commodore of Carolina Yacht Club, Pres. Acme Mfg. Co.; m. Oct. 3, 1905, Wilmington, N. C., Margaret Iredell Meares, dau. of Col. Thos. D. Meares and Jane M. Iredell, of Wilmington, N. C. Res. same.

Henry Gould<sup>8</sup> Latimer, b. —————; res. Auburn, N. Y.

524 Horace Stocking (Bro. to Anna Sheldon Stocking), bapt. Dec. 25, 1785, Upper Houses; was a ship master and ship owner, following the seas for many years. Retiring he resided in New York City, making his home for years at the "Pacific Hotel," and with other prominent ship owners and merchants he helped to found the New York Stock Exchange. He left a large fortune and died, unm., Mar. 20, 1868.

523 Sally<sup>6</sup> Stocking (Jozeb<sup>5</sup>, Daniel<sup>4</sup>, Joseph<sup>3</sup>, Daniel<sup>2</sup>, Samuel<sup>1</sup>), bapt. Sept. 30, 1790; m. Mar. 17, 1817, Joseph Williams (John, Jehiel). He was a commission merchant in New York, purchased, 1818, of the White family, the corner opposite "Stocking Triangle," where he died; she rem. to Middletown to live with her dau., Sarah Gould, where she d. 1875.

*Children:*

Horace Stocking, b. Dec. 13, 1818; d. young.  
 Joseph, b. June 23, 1820; m. Nov. 2, 1850, Margaret C. Martin, of Wilmington, N. C.  
 Gustavus, b. Aug. 31, 1822; d. young.  
 Horace, b. Feb. 22, 1825; unm.; d. Feb. 28, 1852.  
 Sarah Gould, b. Mar. 26, 1827; m. Oct. 12, 1859, John M. Camp, of Middletown, Conn.  
 Emily, b. —————.

527 Emily Stocking (Jozeb), b. June 12, 1793, Upper Houses; d. June 7, 1833, Berlin, Conn.; m. Oct. 14, 1811, Elishama Brandegee, a prominent merchant and manufacturer of Berlin, who died there Apr., 1854.

*Children:*

Jacob Sheldon, b. 1812; d. Aug., 1851; m. May, 1839, Sarah Hinsdale.  
 Dr. Elishama, b. Jan. 14, 1814.  
 John, b. Aug., 1816; d. June, 1881; m. Nov., 1854, Mary Ann Bulkeley.  
 Camillus Marius, b. 1820; d. 1821.  
 Marius, b. Mar. 8, 1823; d. May 3, 1885; m. Nov., 1843, Catherine A. Fontaine.  
 Henry Justus, b. July, 1839; d. Oct., 1861; m. 1858, Sarah K. Miller.  
 Sarah Elizabeth, b. May, 1833; m. Apr., 1858, Danforth Newton Barney. Res. Farmington, Conn.  
 Dr. Elishama Brandegee, b. Jan. 14, 1814; m. Apr. 28, 1841, Florence Stith, of Petersburg, Va. *Children:*  
 Daughter, b. 1842; d. 1842.  
 Townshend Stith, m. May 30, 1889, Mary K. Curran. Res. Berkeley, Cal.  
 Charles, m. Aug. 12, 1886, Mabel Daggett. *Child:*  
 Hilda, b. —————.  
 Florence, b. —————.  
 Robert Bolling, m. Mar. 17, 1898, Susan Lord. *Child:*  
 Robert Lord, b. —————.  
 Emily S., b. —————.

Katherine, b. ———.

Henry Melville, d. Jan. 28, 1893, Helena, Montana.

Edith Victorina, d. aged 6 years.

Horace Stocking, d. aged 4½ years.

Arthur Latimer, m. Dec., 1905, Grace Lord.

Edward Newton, m. Oct. 26, 1899, Harriet R. Pope. Res.  
Helena, Montana. *Children:*

Florence P., b. Oct. 30, 1902.

Daughter, b. Jan. 14, 1907.

528 Justus<sup>6</sup> Stocking (bro. to Anna Sheldon Stocking), b. Feb. 3, 1796, Upper Houses, inherited the homestead. As a young man he was a junior partner in a firm engaged in business in Hartford and during his temporary absence his firm was wrecked and bankrupted without his knowledge. When he found out the true condition of affairs he called a meeting of the creditors, laid the matter before them, and turned over to them all his own individual property, as well as the property of the firm. This, however, was not sufficient to pay the debts of the firm and he assured the creditors that, some day, if possible, he would pay the balance of the debts in full. He went to New York and prospered. Twenty years after the failure of his firm he returned to Hartford, searched out the living creditors of the firm, and the heirs of those who had meantime died, and paid to them the balance of their original claims, with interest for the full period which had elapsed. The newspapers of the day mentioned in terms of the highest commendation this act of Mr. Stocking, whom they described as a shining example of that strict integrity of character so noteworthy in the men who had made New England the great commonwealth it was. He left a fortune of over two million dollars. He d. unm., Jan. 26, 1884, in the house in which he was born, leaving the homestead to his niece, Miss Mary Ann Latimer, who had been his companion and comfort in his declining years.

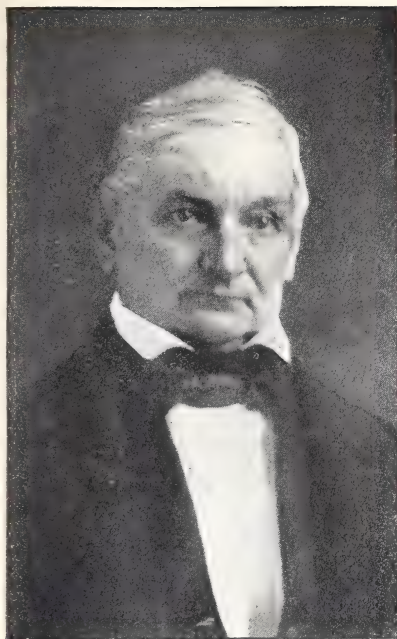
591 Elisha<sup>7</sup> Stocking (George<sup>6</sup>, William<sup>5</sup>, Elisha<sup>4</sup>, Joseph<sup>3</sup>, Daniel<sup>2</sup>, Samuel<sup>1</sup>), b. Jan. 31, 1828; m. Nov. 26, 1852, Harriet Pinney, b. ———, d. Sept. 8, 1886, of Simbury, Conn. He was a carpenter, then a sea captain and coal merchant, and retained the original Stocking homestead on the east side of Pleasant street. He d. May 15, 1887.

*Children:*

Sarah C., b. Feb. 18, 1857; unm.; res. Middletown, Conn.

William, b. Aug. 19, 1862; d. May 19, 1881.

Annie, b. June 29, 1872; m. Feb. 1, 1894, Herbert L. Barton.  
Res. Middletown, Conn.



HORACE STOCKING  
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JUSTUS STOCKING  
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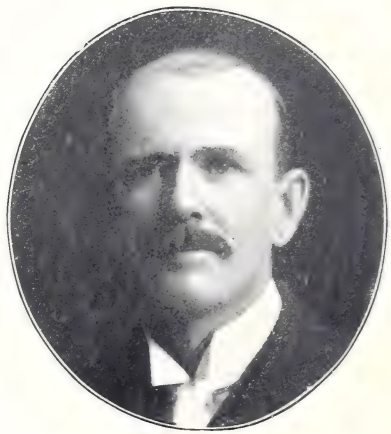


MRS. ANNA SHELDON LATIMER



MISS MARY ANN LATIMER

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PHILO WASHBURN STOCKING  
GEORGE WASHBURN STOCKING  
MRS. VIRGINIA STOCKING ROOME

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GEORGE BYRD STOCKING

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592 Ralph<sup>7</sup> Stocking (George<sup>6</sup>, William<sup>5</sup>, Elisha<sup>4</sup>, Joseph<sup>3</sup>, Daniel<sup>2</sup>, Samuel<sup>1</sup>), b. Apr. 16, 1830; m. Jan. 12, 1856, Adelaide Edwards Jones, who d. April 29th, 1903, dau. of Edward P. Jones and Sarah Edwards (David), b. Mar. 17, 1799; d. Jan. 30, 1886; retired sea captain. Res. Cromwell, Conn.

*Children:*

Frederick Ralph, b. Nov. 13, 1856; d. Feb. 6, 1863.  
 Nellie Elizabeth, b. Aug. 7, 1858; m. Jan. 26, 1886, John McFadyen; res. Hartford, Conn.  
 Adelaide Edwards, b. Aug. 9, 1860; m. Aug. 27, 1879, Dr. Edgar Miles Beckley. Res. Meriden, Conn.  
 Edward Wells, b. Nov. 4, 1862; m. Jan. 8, 1890, Ida Helen Byles; steamboat captain; res. New York City.  
 Herbert Latimer, b. May 21, 1871. With N. Y., N. H. & H. R. R. Co.; unm. Res. New York City.

684 George Washburn<sup>8</sup> Stocking, b. Nov. 26, 1834, Wheeling, Va.; m. Feb. 14, 1867, Harriet Byrd Gillespie, b. Jan. 17, 1843, Clarksville, Mecklenburg Co., Va. He attended the Marietta High school and Duff's Mercantile College, Pittsburg, then entered his father's employ in the saw-mill and flouring business, then in the oil business, in which he and his business associates for 30 years have found an unfailing source of wealth; res. Sisterville, W. Va.

*Children:*

George Byrd, b. Dec. 9, 1867; unm.; in business with his father; res. Sisterville, W. Va.  
 Albert M. C., b. July 25, 1869; d. young.

685 Virginia Elizabeth Caroline<sup>8</sup> Stocking, b. Aug. 13, 1836, Batavia, N. Y.; m. Jan. 5, 1870, Edward Roome, b. Dec. 20, 1838, Washington, Pa., son of William Roome (b. Mar. 10, 1806, England; d. Jan. 17, 1876), and Elizabeth Ryan (b. Nov. 9, 1812, Ireland, d. Mar. 8, 1890), who were m. Jan. 28, 1833, Zanesville, O. Proprietor of flouring mills, F. & A. M.; res. Sisterville, W. Va.

*Children:*

Georgiana Elizabeth, b. Sept. 29, 1872; m. Apr. 12, 1902, Willis Harrington, b. Feb. 11, 1870; res. Sisterville, W. Va. *Children:*  
 Elizabeth, b. Jan. 20, 1903.  
 Mary, b. June, 1905.  
 Edward, b. Aug. 10, 1907.  
 William Washburn, b. Aug. 26, 1874; d. Apr. 11, 1895.

- Mary Alberta, b. July 4, 1876; m. Nov. 22, 1899, Henry Arthur Sutherland, b. Aug. 2, 1871, d. Apr. 26, 1902.  
Widow res. Sistersville, W. Va. *Child*
- Helen Virginia, b. Aug. 21, 1890.

## LIST OF REV. C. H. W. STOCKING, D. D.

- 77 Capt. Abner Stocking, b. Apr. 1, 1726; m. Feb. 2, 1749, Ruth Higgins. Was a sea captain. Enlisted May 6, 1775; captured at Quebec, Dec. 31, 1775. After his release he commanded a privateer; April, 1780, was commissioned captain 6th Co., 23d Regt. Conn. Militia. Published a diary of his experience as a prisoner.
- 199 Rev. Jeremiah, bapt. Dec. 2, 1767; m. Sept. 19, 1792, Polly Wood. His eleven children were: Sidney, Rev. Holon, Septimus, Hemantha, Rev. Sopronius, Rev. Serenus, Serilla, Rev. Serenus Sabinus, Rev. Selah, Dr. Sabin, Rev. Sabura Stobbins. He d. Mar. 23, 1833.
- 437 Rev. Serenus Sabinus, b. July 13, 1804; m. Oct. 2, 1826, Juliana Baker.
- 267 Rev. Charles Henry Wright, D.D., b. Oct. 31, 1835; m. Sept. 21, 1866, Isabella W. Holcomb; grad. Trinity, 1856; optima. Compiler of Knowlton, Southworth, and Stocking genealogies. Well active in P. E. Ch. ministry. Four daughters and one son; res. Bridgport, Penn.

## LIST OF REV. S. M. STOCKING.

- 11 George<sup>s</sup> Stocking, m. Elizabeth ———; rem. to East Middletown.
- 42 Capt. George<sup>s</sup> Stocking, m. Mercy Savage.
- 58 George<sup>s</sup>, m. Eunice Cobb, b. in Middle Haddam; rem. to Glastonbury, 1770, with two sons, served in Revolutionary. All three were killed by explosion of a powder mill at East Glastonbury, Aug. 23, 1777, while making ammunition for the government.
- 192 Eliza<sup>s</sup>, bapt. Apr. 2, 1770; m. Mar. 15, 1789, Ann Hanney.
- 210 Chester Stocking<sup>s</sup>, b. Feb. 3, 1792; m. Clarissa Lee, s. Nov. 4, 1792, d. Jan. 21, 1851. He d. Nov. 22, 1876, in communion of the Epis. Ch.

- 729 William Halsey<sup>7</sup>, b. Feb. 27, 1814; m. Sept. 18, 1843, Mercy Amelia Talcott.
- 1304 Amer Mills<sup>8</sup>, b. Sept. 26, 1858, Chester, O.; m. Dec. 25, 1888, Adelia L. Stickle; grad. 1884, Ohio National Normal Univ.; joined the Central Illinois Conf. of M. E. Ch.; author of "Paraphrases and Bible Stories in Verse," "Verses for Children and Child Lovers." Res. Onarga, Ill. *Child*;
- Sarah Psyche, b. Nov. 30, 1894.

## LINE OF CHARLES HENRY STOCKING.

- 11 George<sup>2</sup>, m. Elizabeth \_\_\_\_\_.
- 40 Samuel<sup>3</sup>, b. Oct. 16, 1700, Upper Houses; m. July 20, 1726, Abiah Boardman.
- 59 Elijah<sup>4</sup>, b. Dec. 30, 1728; m. Hannah \_\_\_\_\_.
- 150 Samuel<sup>5</sup>, b. 1759; m. Mrs. Young.
- 369 Nathaniel<sup>6</sup>, b. Jan. 22, 1782; m. Dec. 4, 1804, Elizabeth Stannard.
- 652 Rev. Davis Pratt<sup>7</sup>, b. 1811; m. Charlotte Sexton.
- 1158 Charles Henry<sup>8</sup>, b. Apr. 13, 1837; m. Aug. 21, 1860, Elizabeth Francis King. Grad. Wesleyan Univ.; certified public accountant, N. Y. City. Four children.

## LINE OF EDGAR BLOOD STOCKING.

- 438 Rev. Selah, b. May 9, 1806; m. July 30, 1832, Mary Hayward Blood, clergyman from 1830; d. \_\_\_\_\_.
- 816 Edgar Blood Stocking, b. Apr. 17, 1843; m. (1) Sept. 4, 1867, Emily Chapman; (2) Sarah Chapman. Is prominent patent attorney in Washington, D. C. Enlisted in Battery K, 1st N. Y. L. Art. Six children, of whom two are living. Is life member of Society of Middletown Upper Houses.

## LINE OF CYRUS ROOT.

William<sup>6</sup> Stocking (Luther<sup>102</sup>, Jonathan<sup>48</sup>, Daniel<sup>14</sup>, Deacon Samuel<sup>2</sup>, George<sup>1</sup>), b. 1775, Kensington, now Berlin, Conn.; m. Feb. 26, 1804, Southington, Conn., Dorothy Buck, b. Feb. 25, 1781, Southington; d. July 20, 1838, dau. of Amos Buck and Betsy Root. Mr. Stocking was a tanner and shoemaker; d. Nov. 15, 1846.

Delia<sup>7</sup> Ann Stocking, b. Oct. 5, 1809; d. Feb. 12, 1897, Laurel, Md.; m. Nov. 26, 1828, Cyrus Root, b. Oct. 2, 1798, Berlin; Whig; then Republican; Cong.; State Militia; blacksmith and farmer. He d. Oct. 2, 1879, Berlin, Conn.

*Children:*

Leontine, b. May 12, 1834; d. June 11, 1853.

Cyrus, b. June 12, 1848.

Cyrus<sup>8</sup> Root, b. June 12, 1848, Berlin, Conn.; m. Oct. 26, 1876, Berlin, Elizabeth Lounsbury Clazey, b. Aug. 27, 1848, Carmel, Putnam Co., N. Y.; d. Mar. 27, 1891, Laurel, Md., dau. of George Oswald Clazey and Margaret Hall. Mr. Root is a mem. of Society of Colonial Wars and a Republican; grad. New Britain High School; remained on father's farm till 1880, when he became a commercial traveler. Since 1885 clerk in Department of the Interior, Washington, D. C., with residence at Laurel, Md. In Berlin he was grand juror, Bd. of Relief, school visitor, and mem. Sch. Com. She d. Aug. 14, 1907.

*Children:*

Leontine Margaret, b. Feb. 14, 1878; m. William Stanton Root, b. Sept. 22, 1875, Meriden, Conn., son of Timothy Root and Harriet Stevens; Rep.; F. & A. M.; Soc. of Col. Wars; C. E. with N. Y., N. H. & H. R. R. Co.; res. Pleasantville, N. Y. *Children:*

Walter Stanton, b. Sept. 10, 1902.

Grace Margaret, b. Jan. 16, 1905.

## THE STOW FAMILY.

Stow is a Saxon word meaning a "Place." John Stow, b. abt. 1525, a famous antiquary, wrote the "Chronicles of England and Survey of London," having devoted 45 years to this work. He was called "Honest John Stow." He also published the names on the "Roll of Battell Abbey." Tuttle Genealogy says it is thought that our John Stow was a grandson of the antiquary's brother Thomas, who was a tallow-chandler in London.

1 John<sup>1</sup> Stow, b. abt. 1595, came from Hawkhurst, Co. Kent, England, embarking on the ship Elizabeth, Apr. 9, 1634, and arriving in New England May 17. He brought his wife, Elizabeth Bigg, his six children, and her mother, Rachel Bigg. He settled in Roxbury, where he was made a freeman Sept. 3, 1634, was in 1638 a member of the Artillery Company of Boston, and in 1639 was twice elected to the General Court. Apostle Eliot wrote: "He was a Kentish man. . . . Elizabeth Stow, the wife of John Stow, she was a godly matron, a blessing note only her family but to all the church & when she had lead a Christian conversation a few years among us, she dyed & left a good savor behind her." She d. Aug., 1638. He died Oct. 26, 1643.

2 Thomas<sup>2</sup> Stow (John<sup>1</sup>), b. abt. 1617, came with his father; m. Dec. 4, 1639, Mary Griggs, who d. Aug. 21, 1680, in Middletown, Conn. He rem., 1648, to Concord, Mass.; freeman 1653. Rem. 1669 to Middletown, his brother Samuel having come as early as 1652, preached for some years without a church being organized and gave lands for schools, dying in 1704. Thomas was received to the church by letter from Concord, Nov. 14, 1669. "Being the Lord's Day Mr. Thomas Stow & Mary his wife with all theirs being recommended to us by letter from ch. of X at Concord." He died Feb. 1684.

3 Thomas<sup>3</sup> Stow, b. abt. 1650; m. Oct. 16, 1675, Bethiah<sup>3</sup> Stocking (Samuel<sup>2</sup>, George<sup>1</sup>). "Mar. 17, 1678-9, there was granted to Thomas Stow, Jr., a piece of land," etc., now a part of the cemetery of 1713, which he did not "improve," but sold part to Samuel Gibson and part to Samuel Wilcox. Deacon Stocking

built for them on land granted to him and situated on the main road, east side, to Hartford, and where the Wallace Pierson house stands. He was "recorded" to the old church, Apr. 29, 1676, having been previously admitted, "but not recorded." By his will he gave the Rev. Joseph Smith twenty shillings. In 1713 he had been granted four acres, being one of the eight house lots, "for his son Thomas." In 1720 he deeded the house and lot to his son Thomas. The house is seen herewith. He d. Mar. 30, 1730; she d. Nov. 6, 1732.

*Children:*

- Bethiah, b. Apr. 6, 1678; d. young.  
 4 Samuel, bapt. Oct., 1681.  
 Mary, b. Aug., 1688; m.; was a widow in 1730.  
 5 Thomas, b. May 7, 1691.  
 Hannah, b. Feb. 11, 1696; m. Mar. 3, 1718, John<sup>3</sup> Kirby.  
 6 Joseph, b. Aug. 3, 1703.

4 Samuel<sup>4</sup> Stow (Thomas<sup>3</sup>, Thomas<sup>2</sup>, John<sup>1</sup>), bapt. Oct., 1681; m. Feb. 8, 1704-5, Esther Mould, of New London, dau. of Hugh Mould and Martha Coit. A sister of Esther m. William<sup>2</sup> Savage. Two other sisters m. Daniel and Joseph White. The mother of these four girls m. Capt. Nathaniel White for his second wife and she is buried next to Esther, while he is buried in Riverside Cemetery, Middletown, by the side of his first wife, there being no cemetery in Upper Houses at his death in 1711. Samuel Stow was a deacon, a shoemaker, and Lieut. in training band. He gave the half of his "homelott" to his son Jerediah, "to be taken off the north side, making a crooked line between that north part and that on the south part so as to leave out the tan house and tan vats." To his son Jonathan he gave half the homelott, "to be taken on the south side, with all the buildings thereon (except one-third of the barn), with the tan house and tan vats; also the cyder mill and press . . . all my husbandry tools; also all my tanning and shoemaker's tools." Jonathan was to pay all his father's debts and funeral charges and "also to make up to his two sisters, Abigail and Lucia, what shall be wanting of £110 after my wife has spared what she can out of the utensils of the house; and further, that he shall find his mother her firewood during her widowhood." The widow had been given the west part of the house. Reference is made to "Woolph (Wolf) Pitt Hill," which is the hill opposite the new cemetery. He provides for his daughters, Esther Ranney, Bethia Morton, Abigail Shaler and Lucy Warren, and for his granddaughter, Submit, only heir of his son Samuel, deceased. He d. Sept. 28, 1740. Widow d. July 24, 1750.

*Of their children:*

- Esther, b. Feb. 20, 1705-6; m. Daniel<sup>3</sup> Ranney. (See the Ranney Family.)  
 Martha, b. Aug. 30, 1712; m. Nathaniel Eells. He m. (2) Alice White.  
 7 Jonathan, b. June 27, 1719.  
 8 Abigail, b. Nov., 1721; m. Capt. Reuben Shailer.

5 Thomas<sup>4</sup> Stow (brother to Samuel), b. May 7, 1691; m. Jan. 24, 1717, Martha White, b. Dec. 6, 1693, dau. of Joseph<sup>3</sup> White and Mary Mould. His father deeded to him in 1720, a four-acre lot with house thereon, which house is well preserved and is seen herewith. The foundation of the chimney is over twelve feet square with two arches therein, capable of holding a farm's produce of potatoes. He d. Nov. 9, 1778.

*Of their children:*

- Mary, b. Nov. 30, 1717; m. Apr. 29, 1736, Jeremiah Wilcox.  
 Jerusha, b. Aug. 6, 1719; m. Oct. 14, 1736, Joseph Stevens, of Glastonbury.  
 Martha, b. May 6, 1721; m. Jeremiah<sup>4</sup> Ranney. (See the Ranney Family.)

[STEVENS LINEAGE—John<sup>1</sup> Stevens, b. 1607, Caversham, England; m. Elizabeth ———; came, 1638, in the *Confidence* to Newburyport, Mass.; rem. 1640, to Andover, Mass.; d. Apr. 11, 1662. She d. May 1, 1694, aged eighty years.

Timothy<sup>2</sup> Stevens, b. Sept. 23, 1641, Newbury, Mass.; d. Jan. 31, 1708, Roxbury, Mass.; m. Mar. 12, 1665, Sarah Davis, dau. of Tobias Davis and Sarah Morrill. Was feoffee to Roxbury free school, 1684; was a deacon there.

Rev. Timothy<sup>3</sup> Stevens, b. Jan. 28, 1666, Roxbury, Mass.; grad. 1687, Harvard, ordained 1693, "first orthodox minister," of Glastonbury, to his death. Married May 19, 1701, Alice Whiting, dau. of Joseph Cook, of Cambridge. Will dated 1726.

Joseph<sup>4</sup> Stevens, b. Aug. 15, 1711; m. (2) Oct. 14, 1736, Jerusha<sup>5</sup> Stow. Fourteen children, eight of whom served in the War of the Revolution.

Elisha<sup>5</sup> Stevens, b. Oct. 1, 1748, Glastonbury, Conn.; m. Dec. 10, 1780, Agnes Kimberly, b. 1755, So. Britain, Conn.; d. Apr. 28, 1837. He d. Mar. 8, 1813, Naugatuck, Conn. Had served five years in Rev. War.

Ashbel<sup>6</sup> Stevens, b. Dec. 13, 1783, Naugatuck, Conn.; m. Aug. 18, 1814, Mary Mead, dau. of Elisha Mead, of Salem, N. Y. (a

Rev. soldier) and Elizabeth Koehler. He d. Feb. 18, 1826, Naugatuck, Conn.

Ashbel Mead<sup>7</sup> Stevens, b. Aug. 10, 1823, Naugatuck, Conn.; m. Oct. 8, 1850, Amanda Lorton, of English descent on father's side and of an old Virginia family on mother's side. He was a prominent physician in Cincinnati, O., where he d. Aug. 28, 1860.

Charles Avery<sup>8</sup> Stevens, b. Apr. 1, 1854, Cincinnati, O.; Asst. Cashier and Director of Merchants National Bank, F. & A. M., 32°; m. Mar. 28, 1894, Carrie Bonfoey, dau. of Watson Bonfoey of Higganum, Conn., and Washington, D. C.

*Children:*

- Dorothy Scovil, b. July 13, 1895.  
 Walter Bonfoey, b. Aug. 19, 1898.  
 Charles Ashbel, b. July 31, 1902.  
 Harvey Blakemore, b. July 9, 1904.

Oliver<sup>6</sup> Stevens, m. Huldah Clark.

Sally Maria<sup>7</sup> Stevens, m. Samuel Wheeler Upson.

Emeline M.<sup>8</sup> Upson, m. Franklin Downes, of Bristol, Conn.

Florence Emlyn<sup>9</sup> Downes, b. May 22, 1851; m. May 22, 1873, Adrian James Muzzy, of Bristol, Conn.; State Senator, merchant, Pres. State Bus. Men's Assn. Mrs. Muzzy is mem. Ver. Col. Dames, Life Member, D. A. R., organizing regent Katherine Gaylord Chapter, D. A. R., author of D. A. R. historical prize essay, "Katherine Gaylord, Heroine," "Shades of New England," of sketches, "New England Childhood," "Log of a Forty Niner," "The Cliff Dwellers." Res. Bristol, Conn. *Child:*

Adrian Florence<sup>10</sup> Muzzy, b. Apr. 19, 1885; grad. 1905, Wellesley; teacher, mem. Katherine Gaylord Chapter, D. A. R.

6 Joseph<sup>4</sup> Stow (brother to Samuel), b. Aug. 3, 1703; d. Nov. 6, 1776; m. Mar. 14, 1733, Sarah<sup>4</sup> Bulkeley, b. Feb. 8, 1706-7 (Capt. Edward<sup>3</sup>, Rev. Dr. Gershom<sup>2</sup>, Rev. Peter<sup>1</sup>); d. Apr. 6, 1785.

*Of their children:*

Rebecca, b. Jan. 31, 1735; m. Oct. 16, 1755, Daniel Russell, son of Rev. Daniel Russell, of Rocky Hill.

Sarah, b. Aug., 1737; m. July 13, 1758, Capt. Josiah Savage.

(See the Savage Family.)

9 Zebulon, bapt. June 28, 1747.

7 Jonathan<sup>5</sup> Stow (Samuel<sup>4</sup>), b. June 27, 1719, d. Sept. 6, 1797; m. Mar. 25, 1742, Abiah<sup>4</sup> Sage (John<sup>3</sup>, John<sup>2</sup>, David<sup>1</sup>).



*Of their children:*

- Samuel, b. Aug. 13, 1744; m. Apr. 28, 1768, Naomi Olmsted.  
Killed on the privater ———, Apr. 12, 1780, by the  
British ship *Guernsey*.
- Jonathan, b. Mar. 27, 1744; m. Aug. 20, 1772, Abigail Eells.  
Was a soldier in Rev. War; d. 1777. She m. (2) William  
White; m. (3) Capt. Wm. Sage. (See the Sage Family.)
- Mary, bapt. Apr. 5, 1752; m. Oct. 25, 1772, Nathaniel Savage,  
who escaped from a British prison ship and fled on the  
ice. He is buried there.
- William, bapt. Sept. 29, 1754; served in Rev. War, and was  
killed Oct. 12, 1780. The letters he wrote home are given  
here:

ROXBURY, June 23, A. D., 1775.

DEAR PARENTS.

I have an opportunity to write to let you know that I am well and in high spirits as I hope these lines will find you the same. All those, the scurmage which I wrote to you before the certainty of which, were killed, we cannot tell as yet, but 'tis reported there is about 1,700 of the Regulars, killed and wounded. There was about seventy officers, some colonels. On our side particulars we have not, but it is supposed about sixty or seventy killed and taken prisoners. So no more at present. I remain your loving son till death.

WILLIAM STOW.

Don't forget to send that sealing wax and thread.

July the 2d, A. D., 1775.

HONORED FATHER AND MOTHER.

I take this opportunity to let you know that through the kind providence of God I am well and in high spirits as I hope these lines will find you. Saturday, the 1st of July, we got fortified upon a hill and placed two twenty-four pounders. They fired twice, the first struck about eight rods from their breastworks, the second went over among their tents. Sunday morning following they began and fired very fast. They fired and sot one house afire. They also threw but hurt no person.

N. B.—The particulars of the captives the regulars took we have had letters from them that they have thirty, amongst them one Colonel. O that we had known how it was with them, for 'tis supposed that all the regulars went out except the guard and the town was obliged to stand sentries, for this we had from Liberty men that came out that night. Some of the town's next neighbors got leave to come. I have nothing to write, only how we have

fresh beef three times a week and a pint of milk a day and butter, also chocolate and molasses. We want for nothing. I have a little more to write which was transacted this day. We took a barge with eleven men in it. First we fired upon them and killed four, the rest surrendered up to us.

So I remain your loving son till death shall part us.

WILLIAM STOW.

P. S.—I have received the thread and sealing wax by Edward Eells, Jr.

8 Abigail<sup>5</sup> Stow (sister to Jonathan), b. Nov., 1721; m. Nov. 12, 1741, Capt. Reuben Shaler, b. Dec. 14, 1711, Haddam. He was master of the *King George*, a brigantine of seventy-two tons, with a crew of fourteen men. When he sailed in 1746 from Barbadoes to London, he filed with the custom house a list of the officers and men, which list included Benjamin Butler, Stephen Stow, Ebenezer Stocking and Daniel Curby (Kirby), of the Upper Houses. The brig and the captain were lost in 1749 and as Benjamin Butler was lost about that time he may have been on board. In 1746 Ebenezer Stocking was only eighteen years of age. He d. Sept. 20, 1762. Stephen Stow was brother to Mrs. Abigail Shaler. Daniel<sup>4</sup> Kirby, b. 1724; d. 1796, was son of John<sup>3</sup> Kirby and Hannah<sup>4</sup> Stow (Thomas<sup>3</sup>, Thomas<sup>2</sup>, John<sup>1</sup>).

Capt. Reuben Shailer resided in the house still standing next south of the Episcopal church on Main street, Middletown. His widow kept a hotel. In 1771 John Adams took a horseback ride from Braintree, Mass., to Stafford Springs, Conn., to try the then famous water of the spring, and continued his journey as far as Middletown. He had dined on Saturday, June 8, in Wethersfield. His diary reads:

“Rode to Middletown and put up for the Sabbath at Shalers, near the court house. Middletown, I think, is the most beautiful town of all. When I first came into the town, which was upon the top of a hill (Prospect Hill of Cromwell), there opened before me the most beautiful prospect of the river, and the intervals and improvements on each side of it, and the mountains, at about ten miles distant, both on the east and on the west side of the river, and of the main body of the town at a distance. I went down this hill and into a great gate [down Meadow street, then a “lammas way”], which led me to the very banks of the river; and on the right hand is a fine level tract of interval land, as rich as the soil of Egypt. The lots are divided by no fence, but here are strips running back at right angles from the river; on one is Indian corn; on another, parallel to it, is rye; on another, barley; on another, flax; on another a rich burden of clover and other

English grasses. And after riding in this enchanting meadow for some time, you come to another gate which lets you into the body of the town [at "Stone bridge," north of present quarry dock], which is ornamented as is the meadow I just mentioned, with fine rows of trees and appears to me as populous, as compact and as polite as Hartford."

He describes the books he found at Widow Shailer's, her cooking, etc., laments that her only son (Nathaniel), was only a bookkeeper with no higher ambition, thanks God that he is not an only son, and on the Sabbath he went to church, "tumbled into the first pew," and heard a "Yalensian sermon" (Dr. Enoch Huntington); met a college classmate (Dr. Eliot Rawson), who was a physician and went home with him and had a "picked up" dinner, which he "did not enjoy."

Mrs. Shailer's son Nathaniel was born in 1747. As he was but fourteen years of age when John Adams, afterwards President of the United States, lamented that Nathaniel was content to be a bookkeeper, he was prematurely judging. His fine monument in Riverside Cemetery, Middletown, indicates the standing he acquired. His daughter Lucy, born in 1790, m. Commodore Macdonough, and d. Aug. 9, 1825. The Commodore is buried in the Shailer lot.

9 Zebulon<sup>5</sup> Stow (Joseph<sup>4</sup>, Thomas<sup>3</sup>, Thomas<sup>2</sup>, John<sup>1</sup>), bapt. June 28, 1747; m. Apr. 22, 1773, Rosetta Riley (Nathaniel), who d. Jan. 7, 1792; he m. (2) Hannah Warner of Rocky Hill, who d. June 10, 1831, aged eighty-four. Capt. Zebulon Stow was a sea captain and local merchant. In 1797 he purchased the other interests in the Thomas<sup>3</sup> and Bethiah (Stocking) Stow house, which in 1802 he sold to the Rev. Gershom Bulkeley. Then he purchased the Thomas Johnson, Jr., house\* and in time this became the property of his son, Capt. Thomas Stow.

\* The Thomas Johnson, Jr., "Deacon" Johnson, house was purchased in 1780 by Ezra L'Hommedieu of Southold, Long Island, a graduate of Yale, and distinguished lawyer and patriot. The Great and General Court of Connecticut had voted to send a vessel to bring Mr. L'Hommedieu "and his effects," from the Tory region of Eastern Long Island. He was a member of the Continental Congress, representing New York, and attended the meetings in Hartford of the Committee of Safety. His mother and slaves are buried here. In 1784 he with Capt. Hugh White and two others purchased 6000 acres in Central New York (the Sadehada Patent). He represented his State in 1788 in making a treaty at Fort Stanwix (Rome, N. Y.), with the Indians, had supervision of the Indians in that region, and in many ways was a very prominent citizen of New York. In 1784 he sold the Johnson house and returned to Southold to reside.

*Children:*

Zebulon, bapt. Oct. 30, 1774; rem. to Stockbridge, N. Y.

William, b. Jan. 28, 1776; m. Margaret Gaylord, sister to Samuel and Jonathan, and with them rem. to Stow, Ohio, in 1809. His son, Albert Cheney, d. in 1907, nearly one hundred years of age.

10 Thomas, b. May, 1778.

10 Capt. Thomas Stow, b. May, 1778; m. Sept., 1800, Phebe Stanley. He first learned the printer's art, but did not follow it. He became a merchant in the Upper Houses, of the firm of Dewey and Stow. His health failing him he went to sea as supercargo for his father and then became captain. He made many voyages to various foreign ports, and suffered several shipwrecks. For several years he commanded the river steamboat, *Oliver Ellsworth*, then took charge of towing barges on the Hudson river.

Later he was employed by the United States government in removing the Seminole Indians from Florida. His last sea voyage was in 1839 to Malaga. He and his wife became members of the Congregational ch. in Aug., 1827. In 1840 he circulated among children, even of tender years, a temperance pledge and guided the hand of some who could not write their own names. He d. Aug. 14, 1845, much lamented by some who remember him and recall his loving spirit.

*Children:*

Caroline Rozetta, b. June 26, 1801; m. Jonathan Paddock.

Thomas, b. Apr. 14, 1806; d. Mar., 1807.

Jane Stanley, b. Dec. 13, 1811; m. 1841, Rev. I. P. Warren, D. D., a noted Methodist divine.

Anna North, b. Apr. 18, 1816; m. 1836, James Stanley, founder of the great Stanley Works of New Britain.

## THE TREAT FAMILY.\*

### PART ONE.

Richard<sup>1</sup> Treat, of Wethersfield, Conn., b. 1584; bapt. Aug. 28, 1584, in Pitminster, Co. Somerset, England, was the son of Robert (Richard, William, John) and Honora Treat of Pitminster. He m. Apr. 27, 1615, in Pitminster, England, Anna Gaylord, bapt. May 10, 1595, dau. of Hugh Gaylord, of Pitminster, England.

1 Richard<sup>1</sup> Treat came to New England about 1638. His youngest child, Katherine, was bapt. June 29, 1637, in Pitminster, England. The first record of him was in Wethersfield. He had three sons and seven daughters, and was known as "Mr." Treat, there being but four of his townsmen who were honored with that prefix. He held many offices, being elected deputy to the General Court fourteen years, assistant eight times. He and two of his sons-in-law, John Deming and Matthew Camfield, were among the patentees of the charter granted in 1662 by Charles II. His will, dated Feb. 13, 1668, is printed in the "Treat Family." Susanna<sup>2</sup>, b. 1629, m. Robert Webster, who came to Middletown Upper Houses about 1650, and four of their children were born here. He returned in 1659 to Hartford.

2 Honora<sup>2</sup> Treat (Richard<sup>1</sup>), b. 1616, bapt. Mar. 19, 1616, in Pitminster, England; m. about 1637, John Deming, who d. in 1705, in Wethersfield, Conn., where he had settled as early as 1635. He was admitted a freeman in 1645, is named in the Charter of 1662, was a deputy nineteen times and had the title of "Mr." They had ten children, of which

#### *Children:*

Samuel, b. 1646; d. Apr. 6, 1709, aged sixty-three, in Wethersfield; m. Mar. 29, 1694, Sarah<sup>2</sup> Kirby, dau. of John<sup>1</sup> Kirby of Middletown Upper Houses. (See The Kirbys of New England.)

David, b. abt. 1652; d. May 4, 1725, aged seventy-three, in Boston, (gravestone in Granary burying ground). He

\* The numbers are those used in the "Treat Family," by John Harvey Treat.

rem. to Boston before 1707. Is frequently mentioned in Sewall's Diary. His son was Rev. David Deming, who graduated at Harvard College in 1700, and res. a few years in Upper Houses. (See the "History" of Upper Houses.)

4 Richard<sup>2</sup> Treat (Richard<sup>1</sup>), b. 1622-3; bapt. Jan. 9, 1622-3, in Pitminster, Somerset Co., England; d. about 1693 in Wethersfield, Conn.; m. about 1661, Sarah Coleman, dau. of Thomas Coleman, one of the first settlers of Wethersfield, afterward of Hatfield, Mass. She d. Aug. 23, 1734, aged ninety-two, in Stepney Society, Wethersfield. He was the oldest son of Richard<sup>1</sup>, and was given the "Treat" farm on the east side of the river, now Glastonbury. On Mar. 11, 1657-8, he was chosen corporal of the Train band of Wethersfield. He d. about 1691, having petitioned for the creation of the town of Glastonbury. He had four children.

5 Lieutenant Thomas<sup>3</sup> Treat (Richard<sup>2</sup>, Richard<sup>1</sup>), b. Dec. 12, 1668, in Wethersfield, Conn.; d. Jan. 17, 1713, in Glastonbury, Conn.; m. July 5, 1693, Dorothy Bulkeley, b. about 1662; d. 1757, dau. of Rev. Gershom and Sarah (Chauncy) Bulkeley. He was a petitioner, Feb. 13, 1690, for the incorporation of Glastonbury, and in 1691 assisted in forming the first church in that town. In 1711 he was appointed lieutenant of the train band. He was several years a deputy from Glastonbury. In his will he enjoins that his negro maid Hannah, be treated as a Christian. (Bulkeley Genealogy, p. 85.) His gravestone is a large slab of sandstone in the old burying ground on the Green, Glastonbury, and bears this inscription:

*Here Lies Bvried  
the Body of M<sup>r</sup>  
Thomas Treat who  
Died Janvary the 17<sup>th</sup>  
Anno dom 1712  
Etatis About 44  
Years*

He had eight children, the fourth of whom was Isaac.

20 Isaac<sup>4</sup> Treat (Thomas<sup>3</sup>, Richard<sup>2</sup>, Richard<sup>1</sup>), b. Aug. 15, 1701, Glastonbury, Conn.; d. Aug. 29, 1763; m. Dec. 10, 1730, Rebecca Bulkeley, his cousin, b. Feb. 22, 1709; d. Oct. 19, 1788, and dau. of Capt. Edward and Dorothy (Prescott) Bulkeley. He had eight children, Elisha being the fourth.

51 Elisha<sup>5</sup> Treat (Isaac<sup>4</sup>, Thomas<sup>3</sup>, Richard<sup>2</sup>, Richard<sup>1</sup>), b. —, in Glastonbury, Conn.; d. ———, Glastonbury; m. May 29, 1766, Mary Wilcox, of Upper Houses, b. Jan. 27, 1737; d. May 21, 1818, aged eighty-one, in Upper Houses, dau. of Jeremiah and Mary (Stow) Wilcox. He lived in Glastonbury and, in 1769, was granted liberty "to build a lineet mill on Roaring Brook on his own land." He had five children, of whom Elisha was the fourth.

146 Elisha<sup>6</sup> Treat (Elisha<sup>5</sup>, Isaac<sup>4</sup>, Thomas<sup>3</sup>, Richard<sup>2</sup>, Richard<sup>1</sup>), b. Aug. 27, 1772, in Glastonbury, Conn.; d. Jan. 19, 1852, aged seventy-nine, in Upper Houses; m. (1) Apr. 5, 1801, Lydia Hart, b. Sept. 18, 1777; d. May 22, 1809, dau. of Capt. Samuel and Lydia (Hinsdale) Hart, of Kensington, Conn.; m. (2) Apr. 3, 1816, Betsey Kirby, b. July 7, 1779; d. July 8, 1861, dau. of Thomas and Lucy (Stocking) Kirby. Lucy Stocking, b. June 10, 1737, was the daughter of Elisha Stocking and Rachel Ranney. Elisha Treat settled on the farm lately owned by the town. He represented Middletown in the legislature of 1822 and was for many years a justice of the peace. He was well known throughout the county as "Squire Treat," was for many years a prominent member of the Baptist ch., and one of the three men in Middletown who constantly voted the abolition ticket. His grave is in the Northwest Cemetery.

*Child by first marriage:*

339 Lorenzo<sup>7</sup> Hart, b. Nov. 1, 1802.

339 Lorenzo Hart<sup>7</sup> Treat (Elisha<sup>6</sup>, Elisha<sup>5</sup>, Isaac<sup>4</sup>, Thomas<sup>3</sup>, Richard<sup>2</sup>, Richard<sup>1</sup>), b. Nov. 1, 1802, Upper Houses; d. July 13, 1857, aged fifty-four, Upper Houses; m. (1) Aug. 23, 1826, Sarah Sage Kirby, bapt. July 29, 1804; d. Aug. 4, 1836; m. (2) Apr. 16, 1837, Mary Kirby, bapt. Apr. 8, 1808; d. Sept. 28, 1868. These were sisters and daughters of Samuel Kirby and Abigail Sage. Abigail Sage was the dau. of Timothy Sage and Abigail Riley.

*Child*

719 Sarah, b. July 10, 1832.

719 Sarah<sup>8</sup> Treat (Lorenzo Hart<sup>7</sup>, Elisha<sup>6</sup>, Elisha<sup>5</sup>, Isaac<sup>4</sup>, Thomas<sup>3</sup>, Richard<sup>2</sup>, Richard<sup>1</sup>), b. July 10, 1832, Upper Houses; d. ———; m. (1) June 2, 1851, Elizur Lord Wright, who d. Aug. 3, 1864; m. (2) Oct. 22, 1872, William Robert McDonald, b. in New Brunswick, Canada. Mr. McDonald is a merchant and has been an active Rep., postmaster, mem. of the House and Senate of the General Assembly and State Highway Commissioner.

*Children by first marriage:*

- 1126 Mary Treat<sup>9</sup>, b. Feb. 8, 1852; d. July 23, 1853.  
 1127 George Lord, b. May 3, 1853; d. Sept. 28, 1853.  
 1128 Samuel Hart, b. Sept. 12, 1854; d. Apr. 28, 1863.  
 1129 Benjamin Chapman, b. Feb. 11, 1858; d. Apr. 28, 1863.  
 1130 Benjamin Elizur, b. Aug. 3, 1864; res. West Haven, Conn.

## PART TWO

5 Governor Robert<sup>2</sup> Treat (Richard<sup>1</sup>), b. abt. 1624, Pitminster, England; d. July 12, 1710, Milford, Conn. This place, Wepowage, was purchased of the Indians, Feb. 12, 1639, and was named Milford, Nov. 24, 1640. On account of his extreme youth his name does not appear among the "free planters," but is seventh of the ten names given.

At the first meeting of the planters, Nov. 20, 1639, Robert Treat, though less than sixteen years old, was one of the committee of nine to survey and lay out the lands. He returned to Wethersfield, but in 1648 was again in Milford, where his son Samuel was bapt. Sept. 3, but he being recorded as a member of the church in Wethersfield. The Milford Church Records give the baptism of his nine children. The "Treat Family" contains thirty pages on the "Life and Character of Gov. Robert Treat," from which we quote this summary: "A deputy from Milford for at least six years; from Newark to the Assembly of New Jersey five more; a magistrate in the New Haven General Court, and assistant in that of Connecticut for eight years. He added to these twenty years in the halls of legislation, seventeen years in the chair of deputy governor and thirteen in that of governor, not including the two years under Andros."

9 Capt. Joseph<sup>3</sup> Treat (Robert<sup>2</sup>, Richard<sup>1</sup>), was b. Sept. 17, 1662, in Milford, Conn., and d. Aug. 9, 1721. His first wife was Frances Bryan and the second was Mrs. Elizabeth Merwin. He was sergeant, ensign, lieutenant and in 1708 captain of the first train band. By his first wife he had seven children, and by his second wife he had five children, the youngest being Stephen.

68 Stephen<sup>4</sup> Treat (Joseph<sup>3</sup>, Robert<sup>2</sup>, Richard<sup>1</sup>), b. Oct. 10, 1715, in Milford, Conn.; d. Nov. 13, 1794, aged seventy-nine, in Middletown Upper Houses; m. (1) June 12, 1746, Miriam Clark, b. Mar. 15, 1726-7; d. July 12, 1754, and dau. of Joseph Clark and Miriam<sup>4</sup> Cornwell (John<sup>3</sup>, John<sup>2</sup>, William<sup>1</sup>); m. (2) Dec. 9, 1756,



Mrs. Mercy Bronson, of Farmington, Conn., who d. Feb. 28, 1810. Mr. Treat was admitted to full communion in the church at Upper Houses, Aug. 18, 1765. Three of his daughters, Mercy, Anne, and Ruth, were baptized in infancy, and Miriam was admitted to the church, July 2, 1769, upon profession of faith.

*Children by first marriage:*

- 245 Stephen<sup>s</sup> b. May 26, 1747; d. —————; m. (1) Grace Sage; m. (2) ————. He and his brother Amos served in Capt. Eli Butler's company in the regiment of Light Horse commanded by Maj. Elisha Sheldon. The company marched Oct. 25, 1776, and was discharged Dec. 25, 1776. Stephen removed about 1820 to Whites-town, N. Y. He had fifteen children.
- 246 Miriam, b. Oct. 30, 1748; m. (1) Abraham Ranney; she m. (2) Elijah Fellowes of New York. (See the Ranney Family.)
- 247 Elizabeth<sup>s</sup>, b. Oct. 28, 1750; d. —————; m. Josiah Wilcox. (See Wilcox Family.)
- 248 John, b. Oct. 29, 1752; d. Nov. 18, 1822; m. Nov. 27, 1783, Elizabeth Lankton. He rem. ————, to Westfield Society, Middletown, and is buried in Miner Cemetery, an S. A. R. bronze marker having been placed on his grave. He was a private in the company of Capt. Abel Braw, and arrived at New York, Aug. 19, 1776. Was discharged Sept. 19, 1776. Jan. 13, 1777, he enlisted at Wethersfield, Conn., in the first company, Capt. Benjamin Tallmadge, afterwards major of the same regiment, in the second regiment of Connecticut Light Dragoons, Col. Elisha Sheldon, and was discharged at Danbury, Conn., June 12, 1783. His discharge was signed by General Washington. He was in the battle of Brandywine, Sept. 11, 1777, where John Stocking Chauncey of Upper Houses, was captured. Was in the fight which preceded the capture of the light house near New York City, under Col. Tappan, when he was in the "year service" in 1776. He was a pensioner and received a gift of land in the Western Reserve of Ohio.
- 249 Amos<sup>s</sup>, b. Oct. 23, 1757, in Middletown Upper Houses; d. Nov. 6, 1788; m. (1) Feb. 8, 1781, Mary Wilcox, b. Sept. 13, 1756; d. Sept. 1, 1787, dau. of Israel Wilcox and Martha Barnes; m. (2) Dec. 26, 1787, Rebecca Stow, dau. of Samuel Stow and Desire Candee. He and his brother Stephen and many others from the Upper

Houses were in the company of Capt. Eli Butler. *Children by the first marriage:*

- 707 Sibbel<sup>6</sup>, b. May 1, 1782; d. —————; m. Ira Boardman.  
 708 Abba<sup>6</sup>, b. Jan. 19, 1784.  
 709 Mary<sup>6</sup>, b. May 6, 1786; d. —————; m. Uri Boardman.  
 253 Ruth<sup>5</sup>, b. May 1, 1766; bapt. May 18, 1766; d. in Ohio; m. Comfort Ranney. (See the Ranney Family.)

708 Abba<sup>6</sup> Treat (Amos<sup>5</sup>, Stephen<sup>4</sup>, Joseph<sup>3</sup>, Robert<sup>2</sup>, Richard<sup>1</sup>), b. Jan. 19, 1784, Upper Houses; d. July 4, 1857; m. (1) Laura Stow, b. Feb. 8, 1790; d. Jan. 21, 1834; m. (2) Mar. 2, 1834, Mrs. Nancy (Holmes) Treat, who d. Dec. 5, 1884, and widow of Joseph Lancton<sup>6</sup> Treat (705).

*Children by first marriage:*

- 1559 Urania<sup>7</sup>, b. Feb. 20, 1809; m. Mar. 28, 1828, Solomon M. Miner.  
 1560 Janette<sup>7</sup>, b. Apr. 3, 1817; m. Aug. 9, 1837, Hiram Clark.  
 1561 Amos<sup>7</sup>, b. Jan. 7, 1819; unm. d. July 12, 1888, Upper Houses.  
 1562 Sherman E.<sup>7</sup>, b. Aug. 23, 1828; m. Apr. 12, 1851, Martha Smith.  
 1563 Miner S.<sup>7</sup>, b. July 26, 1832; m. Nov. 1, 1855, Jane A. Addis; res. West Cromwell.

PART THREE.

Lieut. James<sup>2</sup> Treat (Richard<sup>1</sup>), b. 1634; bapt. July 20, 1634, in Pitminster, Somerset Co., England; d. Feb. 12, 1709, in his seventy-fifth year, Wethersfield, Conn.; m. Jan. 26, 1665, Rebecca Latimer; d. Apr. 2, 1734, aged eighty-eight (gravestone), dau. of John Latimer, one of the first settlers of Wethersfield. On her gravestone she is termed "That godly woman Rebecca Treat." James was the youngest son of Richard and received from him by will, his grist mill and lands in Wethersfield, including two homesteads on Broad street. He was made a freeman, May 21, 1657. He was listed as a trooper in 1658, and in 1679 was elected lieutenant of the train band. He was engaged in the Indian Wars. He was a constable, fence viewer, townsman, deputy from Wethersfield, 1672-1707, commissioner, justice of the peace, and member of the governor's council. His inventory, taken Mar. 3, 1709, was £1235 14s 2d. He had nine

*Children:*

Rev. Salmon<sup>3</sup> Treat (James<sup>2</sup>, Richard<sup>1</sup>), b. about 1672 in

Wethersfield; d. Jan. 6, 1762, aged ninety (gravestone, Preston, Conn.); m. (1) Apr. 28, 1698, Dorothy<sup>3</sup> Noyes, b. June 20, 1675; d. Dec. 6, 1714 (gravestone Preston), and dau. of Rev. James and Dorothy (Stanton) Noyes, pastor of the Cong. church of Stonington; m. (2) Nov. 6, 1716, Mrs. Mary Parks, widow of Capt. John Parks or Parke. Mr. Treat grad. at Harvard Coll. in 1694, and was one of the four young Harvard graduates who received the degree of master of arts at the first commencement of Yale Coll., held at Saybrook in 1702. After refusing a call to Greenwich, Conn., the town of Preston on Dec. 15, 1697, called him, and he accepted on July 4, 1698. It was left to him to locate the church, and he gave for it a site of four acres, on which a church now stands. He resigned Mar. 14, 1744. In 1750 he made a donation of £87 10s. for a church fund, excluding Church of England, Separatists, Baptists, and any but the Presbyterians from receiving its benefits. His son Samuel became a Separatist minister and his grandson James, a Baptist. He had nine children.

31 Rev. Samuel<sup>4</sup> Treat (Salmon<sup>3</sup>, James<sup>2</sup>, Richard<sup>1</sup>), b. Jan. 21, 1712, in Preston, Conn.; d. Sept. 16, 1773, in Preston; m. Dec. 23, 1751, Elizabeth Stark, of Groton, Conn., who d. Sept. 19, 1772, aged forty-four. He grad. at Yale in 1734, and spent most of his life at Preston. He had ten children, one of whom, Salmon, was a Rev. soldier.

109 John<sup>5</sup> Treat (Samuel<sup>4</sup>, Salmon<sup>3</sup>, James<sup>2</sup>, Richard<sup>1</sup>), b. Jan. 15, 1768, in Preston, Conn.; d. July 16, 1854, in North Brookfield, Madison Co., N. Y.; m. ————, Elizabeth Frezzell of Tolland, Mass., who d. Nov. 6, 1843, in North Brookfield. Soon after his marriage he removed to Providence, Saratoga Co., N. Y., and in 1809 to N. Brookfield. He was a farmer, and had seven children.

181 Salmon<sup>6</sup> Treat (John<sup>5</sup>, Samuel<sup>4</sup>, Salmon<sup>3</sup>, James<sup>2</sup>, Richard<sup>1</sup>), b. May 23, 1801, in Providence, Saratoga Co., N. Y.; d. July 28, 1889, in Leon, N. Y.; m. Jan. 25, 1825, Julia Ranney, b. Jan. 15, 1805. (See the Ranney Family.) Mr. Salmon Treat removed to Madison Co., when seven years old, and from there to Leon, Cattaraugus Co., where he resided on his farm. He was a deacon in the first Baptist church, and highly respected in the community.

*Children, b. in Leon:*

- 284 James Morris, b. Sept. 27, 1826.  
 285 Milo Clinton, b. Apr. 5, 1841.

284 James Morris<sup>7</sup> Treat (Salmon<sup>6</sup>, John<sup>5</sup>, Samuel<sup>4</sup>, Salmon<sup>3</sup>, James<sup>2</sup>, Richard<sup>1</sup>), b. Sept. 27, 1826, Leon, New York; m. May 20, 1862, Charlotte S. Patch, b. Aug. 9, 1842. He was a very prominent citizen and Baptist deacon, an extensive breeder of thoroughbred cattle. Died Nov. 1, 1905.

*Children:*

- 423 J. C., b. Jan. 12, 1865.  
 424 Laura M., b. Nov. 12, 1871; d. Sept. 28, 1872.  
 425 Frank M., b. May 23, 1883.

285 Milo Clinton<sup>7</sup> Treat (brother of James Morris), b. Apr. 5, 1841; m. (1) Sept. 20, 1870, Clara Minerva Crawford; d. ———; m. (2) Jan. 26, 1887, Sarah R. Hakes, of Worcester, Mass. Mr. Treat is a successful dealer in real estate and mines, having traveled extensively in this country and abroad. When he settled in Washington, Pa., there was one Baptist church, with seventy-three members. Now there are three churches with six hundred members, and five hundred members of the Bible schools. He has contributed thirty thousand dollars to this work. He has built several chapels in Eastern Cuba and is extending his work there. He has been largely interested in educational work in East Tennessee, Northern Georgia and the Carolinas. Has assisted two hundred and sixty-seven ministerial students, all whites, in this section and scattered through the North and West, to get a college and seminary education. There are at all times from forty to eighty of these students on his school list. Has established a Treat Loan Fund of thirty thousand dollars, which he expects to make perpetual. Has invested some thousands in Y. M. C. A. work. In other ways Mr. Treat seeks to work through others.

Mr. Treat's interests in the work of the Society of Middletown Upper Houses is well known to those who have met him at its reunions; res. Washington, Pa.

*Children:*

- Ellis M., b. Nov. 27, 1872; m. Oct., 1899, Mary Taylor, b. Jan. 18, 1875; res. Columbus, O. *Children:*  
 George Arthur, b. Oct. 14, 1900.  
 Milo Gwynne, b. Nov. 22, 1902.  
 Ellis Frederick, b. Nov. 22, 1902.  
 Mila Hakes, b. Sept. 5, 1894.



MILo CLINTON TREAT  
(See page 719)



MILA HAKES TREAT IN BRITISH COLUMBIA

## THE WARNER FAMILY.

Andrew<sup>1</sup> Warner (son of John), b. in Hertford, England; came to Cambridge, 1632; made freeman there May 14, 1634; to Hartford, 1636; deacon in Mr. Hooker's church; rem. to Middletown with sons Andrew, Robert and John; ret. to Hartford and then to Hadley, where he d. Dec. 18, 1684; m. in Hartford, probably as second wife, Hester, widow of Thomas Selden, who d. 1693.

Andrew<sup>2</sup> Warner m. Rebecca, dau. of John Fletcher. He d. Jan. 26, 1682, Middletown, and she m. Jeremy Adams, of Hartford, who d. Aug. 11, 1683. She resided in Middletown, where she d. Jan. 25, 1715, aged seventy-seven. Her daughter, Hannah Adams, m. Nathaniel Willett and their daughter Rebecca, m. Thomas<sup>2</sup> Ranney.

John<sup>2</sup> Warner (Andrew<sup>1</sup>), settled on the Robert Webster place in Upper Houses, where he d. June 24, 1700. Administration was granted to John, the eldest son, who had settled on what is now known as the Edward Savage corner. Jonathan<sup>3</sup> (John<sup>2</sup>) had m. Aug. 4, 1698, Elizabeth<sup>2</sup> Ranney and on the same day Ebenezer<sup>2</sup> Ranney had married Sarah<sup>3</sup> Warner. Mary<sup>3</sup> Warner had m. John North, by whom he had Mary and Anna, who later married Thomas<sup>4</sup> Wilcox. In 1704, the heirs sold the Warner homestead to the town to be the property of the North Society. The house stood in front of the present Edward Jones house. In opening the ground in 1904 for water pipes the foundations of the old Webster house were uncovered and some brick and a sandstone taken therefrom are preserved. The sandstone has been set into Stocking Triangle, with "R. W., 1650," carved thereon.

Capt. John<sup>3</sup> Warner (Andrew<sup>2</sup>, Andrew<sup>1</sup>), m. Anne Ward, dau. of Ensign William Ward, whose tombstone, 1690, in Riverside Cemetery, Middletown, is the next oldest one standing there. In 1698 he was given a grant of land in Upper Houses, now known as the Edwards property. He was a weaver, the grave digger, first clerk and treasurer of the North Society, writer of wills and inventories, was promoted from time to time till in 1725 he was commissioned captain of the North train band. His commission is the property of a descendant, Mrs. Ellsworth B. Strong, of Port-

land, Conn., who also owns his account book showing from 1698 to 1743 his careful method of keeping accounts with about every family residing in Upper Houses, the oldest being that of 1698 with his brother-in-law, John Hulburt. This book tells the trade of many with whom he had dealings, as Joseph Stow, shoemaker; Amos Sage, shoemaker; Ebenezer Sage, blacksmith; Nathaniel Riley, harnessmaker; Ezra Carter, tailor; John<sup>2</sup> Kirby, chairmaker; Thomas Stow, Jr., wheelwright and carpenter; Edward Shepard, cooper; Samuel Gipson, shoemaker; Roger Gipson, tanner; Hugh White, Sr., blacksmith; Samuel Stow, shoemaker; Nathaniel Clark, tailor; Samuel Wilcox, carpenter. In 1707 he charged Daniel Clark 1s. 9d. for expenses on election day; 1707 for Thomas Stowe, Jr., "part of your minister's rate, 00 13 00"; "1707 Timothy Sage, Dr. by my minister's rate, 01 11 03."

He deeded his homestead to his son Jabez who after removing to Washington, Conn., sold the property. His tombstone says he held many public offices.

*Children:*

Anna, b. 1702; d. 1709

Abigail, b. 1704; m. Joseph<sup>3</sup> Ranney.

John<sup>4</sup>, b. 1707; m. 1735, Mary<sup>4</sup> Wilcox (Ephraim<sup>3</sup>).

Jabez, b. —————; m. Hannah Warner, dau. John; rem. 1754 to Washington, Conn., where he d. June, 1787. He carried with him the account book of his father.

Andrew, b. 1713; m. Oct. 19, 1738, Martha Wilcox.

Anna, b. 1716; m. 1739, Ebenezer Clark.

Mary, b. 1720; m. Timothy Sage, 2d.

John<sup>4</sup> Warner (Capt. John<sup>3</sup>, Andrew<sup>2</sup>, Andrew<sup>1</sup>), b. 1707; m. 1735, Mary<sup>4</sup> Wilcox (Ephraim<sup>3</sup>), had seven children, the oldest of whom was

*Child:*

Hezekiah<sup>7</sup>, b. 1736; m. 1759, Lois Penfield, who d. Sept. 25, 1773. They had eight children, the youngest of whom was:

Junia<sup>6</sup>, b. Feb. 1, 1773; m. (1) Jan., 1797, Elizabeth Wilcox, Upper Houses; m. (2) 1817, Mrs Philura (Raymon) Merry; rem. to Mich. 1835; d. 1841, Almena, Mich. *Child:*

Eliza<sup>7</sup>, b. Aug. 24, 1800; m. Feb. 6, 1820, Joseph Alexander, d. Jan. 29, 1860.

Mary Eliza<sup>8</sup> (Alexander) Harrison, b. Aug. 13, 1867; res. West Winfield, N. Y.



## THE WHITE FAMILY.\*

In 1860 there was published the "Memorials of Elder John White and of His Descendants," a very remarkably complete work and the numbers given here are the same as those in that volume. Since that publication appeared the antecedents of Elder John White have been ascertained. The biographical notices of Elder John White and his son, Nathaniel White, were principally prepared by the late Henry White, Esq., of New Haven, whose retiring sons contributed fifty dollars toward the erection of our Memorial and forbade the use of their individual names in connection therewith.

Robert White, of Messing, Co. Essex, England, yeoman, buried June 17, 1617; resided at Shelford from June 24, 1585, the date of his marriage to Bridget Allgar, baptized as "Brydgette Allgar," March 11, 1562, dau. of William Allgar, the elder. The baptism of nearly all the children of Robert White is recorded at Shelford, also the marriage of his two daughters: Mary, 1614; Elizabeth, 1617. His will names his wife Bridget, daughters Sarah, wife of James Boutell; Marie, wife of Joseph Lummis; Elizabeth, wife of William Goodinge (Goodwin), of Hartford; Bridgett and Anna, who were single, and sons Nathaniel, John, and Daniel.

1 Elder John<sup>1</sup> White had m., Dec. 26, 1622, Mary Levit, probably daughter of William Levett, whose will, 1626, was witnessed by John White. He came with Elder William Goodwin, in the ship *Lyon*, which sailed about June 22, 1632, and arrived at Boston, on Sunday, Sept. 16. He settled in Cambridge, his homelot being on the street then called Cow-Yard Row, now occupied by "Gore Hall," of Harvard University. Admitted freeman, Mar. 4, 1633; townsman in 1635; sold his homestead and other lands, describing himself on May 30, 1636, as "of the new towne upon the Quinetacquet River," and the land as "in Newtowne in the Massachusetts"; came to Hartford, 1636, with the Hooker company. His homelot was on the east side of what is now "Governor Street," about ten rods south of Park river, being next to

\* The numbers are the same as in the Elder John White Genealogy.

Governor Hopkins and near Governor Wyllys. In 1642 he was a townsman and again in 1646, 1651, and in 1656. In 1653 he was granted various tracts in Middletown, evincing an intention to remove thither. Rev. Thomas Hooker dying in 1647, the divergence of views on church matters reached such a pass that John White, Elder Goodwin, and others in 1659 founded the town of Hadley, in Mass., where he held many offices. He returned to Hartford in 1670 and united with the South Church and became an elder, hence his title, and it exempted him from holding town office or performing civil services. But as an arbitrator, referee, and counsellor in ecclesiastical matters, he performed good services to the churches. He died between Dec. 17, 1683, the date of his will, and Jan. 23, 1684, the date of his inventory. He lived to see all his children married and to hold his great-grandchildren in his arms. His children were Mary, Nathaniel, John, Daniel, Sarah, Jacob. The autograph, like that of John Kirby, is written with the "h" downward.

3 Nathaniel<sup>2</sup> White, b. in England about 1629, removed in 1650 or '51 to the Upper Houses. He early acquired great influence, was the most prominent settler of all Middletown, and held a high position in the early colony. He was first chosen in 1659 to the Great and General Court, and from 1661 to 1710, he was chosen once and generally twice a year to sit in the Legislature of the Colony, having been elected eighty-five times. In 1669 he was appointed by the legislature a magistrate and commissioner for Middletown and in 1684 for Middletown, Haddam, and the district of Meriden, holding local courts. He rose to the rank of Captain and then the "north traine band" was termed "the first" and a second was established on the "south side." In the organization of the Church, 1668, he was prominent, being chosen to unite with pastor Collins in laying hands on the first deacons elected, one of whom was Samuel Stocking, his nearest neighbor. He was pre-eminent in his interest in schools and having seen the school in the Upper Houses receive by act of the Legislature, Oct., 1709, its proper share of the school tax money he in his will, made Aug. 16, 1711, gave one-fourth of his share in the common and undivided land to "the schools already agreed upon in the Town of Middletown, forever." The will is written on one page with lines exceeding 14 inches in length. His wife, Elizabeth \_\_\_\_\_, died in the year 1690, "aged about 65 years." Her tombstone is in Riverside Cemetery, Middletown, by the side of his own. He married (2) Mrs.

*Nath: White*

Mrs. Martha Mould, widow of Hugh Mould, of New London, Conn., and daughter of John Coit and Mary Jenners. Two of her daughters had married his sons, one had married William<sup>2</sup> Savage, one had married Daniel<sup>2</sup> Stocking, and Esther Mould had married Samuel<sup>3</sup> Stow. Widow White d. Apr. 14, 1730, "aged about 86." She is buried next to Esther Mould, and her four other daughters are buried by the side of their respective husbands. The town's record that she was in "ye 77th year of her age," is evidently an error. Capt. White was "aged about 82," according to his tombstone record.

"The good that men do lives after them," and on Jan. 6, 1902, When Cromwell's first fine schoolhouse was opened for use the town unanimously voted to name it, as was proposed by the compiler of this volume,

*"The Nathaniel White Public School."*

*Children:*

- 8 Nathaniel<sup>3</sup>, b. July 7, 1652; m. Elizabeth<sup>2</sup> Savage. He rem. to Hadley to his grandfather's estate there; d. Feb. 15, 1742. She d. Jan. 30, 1742, after a married life of 63 years, 10 mos., and 2 days.

[Ebenezer<sup>4</sup> White, b. Apr. 9, 1701; m. Ruth Atherton; Ebenezer<sup>5</sup> White, m. Sarah Church; Elijah<sup>6</sup> White, m. Lucy Pierce; Josiah<sup>7</sup> White, m. Hannah Cushing; Josiah<sup>8</sup> White, m. Hannah C. Peaser; Nellie A.<sup>9</sup> White, b. June 25, 1857, m. May 23, 1877, Walter Collyer Faxon, who is descended from several lines of Upper Houses. Res. Hartford, Ct.]

Elizabeth, b. Mar. 7, 1655; m. John Clark (see Clark Family).  
John, b. Apr. 9, 1657; m. Mary —————; settled in Hartford on his grandfather's homestead, and d. July, 1748, aged 91.

Mary<sup>3</sup>, b. Apr. 7, 1659; m. (5) Jacob Cornwall.

[Wait<sup>4</sup> Cornwall, m. Mercy Todd; Mary<sup>5</sup> Cornwall, m. Nath<sup>1</sup> Cornwall; Elizabeth<sup>6</sup> Cornwall, m. Joseph Coe; Calvin<sup>7</sup> Coe, m. Harriet Rice; Frances<sup>8</sup> Coe, m. Wm. L. Bradley; Abby Anna<sup>9</sup> Bradley, b. July 23, 1852. Res. Hingham, Mass.]

- 10 Daniel, b. Feb. 23, 1662.  
11 Jacob, b. May 10, 1665.  
12 Joseph, b. Feb. 20, 1667.

10 Ensign Daniel<sup>3</sup> White (Nathaniel<sup>2</sup>, John<sup>1</sup>), b. Feb. 23, 1662, Upper Houses; m. Mar. 1683, Susanna Mould, b. Apr. 2, 1663, New London, Conn., d. Sept. 7, 1754. He was a townsman, a constable, and an ensign in the North train band. He inherited

the western part of the homestead. He d. Dec. 18, 1739. He had eleven children, of which

*Children:*

23 Daniel, b. Dec. 8, 1683.

26 Hugh, b. Feb. 15, 1691.

27 John, b. Nov. 27, 1692.

Susanna, b. Oct. 16, 1694; d. Sept. 28, 1786; m. Jan. 2, 1718, Thomas Johnson, Esq. (bro. to Anne who m. Willett<sup>3</sup> Ranney, which see). He d. Apr. 22 (24), 1761, in Wallingford, aged 72. Of their *children*:

Thomas, b. Oct. 18, 1718; dea. and d. Dec. 26, 1774; m. Mary Edwards.

Stephen, b. Feb. 14, 1720; d. Sept. 17, 1776; m. Mar. 5, 1741, Mary<sup>4</sup> Sage (John<sup>3</sup>, John<sup>2</sup>, David<sup>1</sup>), b. 1720; rem. to Chatham.

Hepzibah, b. Nov. 21, 1724; m. (1) Nov. 8, 1744, Edward Shepard; m. (2) Dr. Aaron Roberts.

Daniel, b. Apr., 1729; prob. a captain in French-Indian War, and d. June 18, 1756, at Schenectady, N. Y.

Amos, b. Jan. 27, 1731; m. Nov. 8, 1753, Mary<sup>4</sup> Kirby (John<sup>3</sup>, Joseph<sup>2</sup>, John<sup>1</sup>), b. Dec., 1727. He d. Sept. 19, 1758, in camp at Lake George. She m. (2) Dec. 17, 1764, Guilford, William Parmelee, b. 1724, son of Joseph Parmelee and Abigail Kimberly, who d. Mar. 13, 1799; she d. Feb. 13, 1813. *Children*:

James Johnson, b. Sept. 1, 1754; m. June 1, 1780, Hepzibah Hubbard; living, 1789, in Wethersfield.

Hepzibah Johnson, b. May 5, 1756; d. Oct. 17, 1762.

Luther Johnson, b. Mar. 25, 1758; d. Oct. 5, 1762.

Thankful, b. July 5, 1735; m. May 6, 1755, Elisha<sup>4</sup> Savage (William<sup>3</sup>, William<sup>2</sup>, John<sup>1</sup>), b. Dec. 9, 1728; a Rev. soldier. Rem. to Berlin, previously Upper Houses. *Children*: Seth, Sarah, Selah, Rachel, Abigail, Susanna, Elisha, Asahel, Luman, Ruth, Mercy.

Isaac, b. Nov. 9, 1696; m. June 30, 1726, Sibbil Butler, b. Mar. 6, 1702, d. Nov. 7, 1781. *Children*:

72 Moses, b. Aug. 22, 1727.

Elias<sup>5</sup>, b. May 5, 1734.

[Isaac<sup>6</sup> White, m. Priscilla Plumb; Henry Champlin<sup>7</sup> White, m. Mary F. Browning; Samuel Howes<sup>8</sup> White, m. Cecilia A. Stillman; Richard Allyn<sup>9</sup> White, b. June 9, 1860, Hartford, Ct., grad. 1881, Trinity. Auditor N. Y. C. & H. R. R. Co. Res. Greenwich, Conn.]

11 Jacob<sup>3</sup> White (bro. to Ensign Daniel<sup>3</sup>), b. May 10, 1665, Upper Houses; m. (1) Feb. 4, 1692, Deborah Shepard, who d. Feb. 8, 1721, aged 51; m. (2) Dec. 16, 1729, Rebecca (Willett) Ranney, widow of Thomas<sup>2</sup> Ranney. His father bought for him the lot originally given to David Sage, and which went to Joseph<sup>2</sup> Kirby, who sold it to Capt. Nathaniel White. It remained in the White family till Miss Augusta White, dau. of (178) Capt. Thomas White, sold it a few years ago. Of their ten

*Children:*

Deborah, b. Feb. 26, 1694; m. Dec. 23, 1731, Willett Ranney (see The Ranney Family).

Hannah, b. Mar. 28, 1699; m. Jan. 2, 1728, Joseph Frary. Their son Joseph m. Dec. 22, 1762, Elizabeth Kirby.

Thomas<sup>4</sup>, b. Aug. 14, 1701; m. (1) Dec. 23, 1725, Sarah Miller; (2) Feb. 3, 1737, Hannah Woodward, b. July 19, 1710, dau. of Henry Woodward and Sarah Burrows. He d. after 1773, Coventry, Conn.

78. Joel<sup>5</sup>, b. Oct. 20, 1750; m. Sarah Osborne. *Child:*

175 Gershom, b. May 28, 1778.

31 John<sup>4</sup>, b. Oct. 19, 1712.

12 Joseph<sup>3</sup> White (bro. to Ensign Daniel), b. Feb. 20, 1667, Upper Houses; m. Apr. 3, 1693, Mary Mould, b. July 26, 1665, d. Aug. 11, 1730. He inherited the eastern half of the homestead, including the house, of his father; took a leading part in school and church affairs; d. Feb. 28, 1725. Of their

*Children:*

Martha, b. Dec. 6, 1698; m. Thomas Stow, Jr. (see the Stow Family).

32 Ebenezer, b. May 22, 1707.

23 Daniel<sup>4</sup> White (Ensign Daniel<sup>3</sup>, Nathaniel<sup>2</sup>, John<sup>1</sup>), b. Dec. 8, 1683, Upper Houses; m. Jan. 19, 1709, Alice Cook, b. June 3, 1681; d. July 26, 1762, dau. of Thomas Cook, Jr., and Sarah Mason, of Guilford, Conn. He inherited the west part of his father's homestead, being the corner opposite "Stocking Triangle." He d. Jan. 10, 1758. Of their

*Children:*

Alice, b. Feb. 25, 1714; m. Nathaniel Eells (see The Eells Family).

Sarah, b. Apr. 22, 1716; m. Daniel Wilcox (see Wilcox Family).

Jedediah, b. Jan. 23, 1730; m. Barbara Wilcox. Rem. to Paris, Oneida Co., N. Y., in 1798, to a farm now occupied by his descendants. He d. Nov. 9, 1822. *Child*:

Polly<sup>6</sup> White, b. Feb. 10, 1781; m. Jared Whitney.

[Polly<sup>7</sup> Whitney, m. Wm. G. Young; Laura Betsey<sup>8</sup> Young, m. Orris H. Hart; Dr. Charles Roscoe<sup>9</sup> Hart, b. Oct. 13, 1864; m. Nov. 2, 1892, May Eleanor Gardner. Grad. Uni. of N. York. Four children. Res. New Hartford, N. Y.]

26 Hugh<sup>4</sup> White (bro. to Daniel<sup>4</sup>), b. Feb. 15, 1691, Upper Houses; m. Aug. 13, 1717, Mary Stone, b. Feb. 13, 1690-91, d. July 9, 1770, dau. of Samuel Stone and Mary Tainter, of Guilford, Conn. He held many local offices. Purchased the land of his grandfather given for schools and leased it for 999 years. He inherited the east half of the homelot of his father. He d. abt. Mar., 1778. Of their

*Children:*

Bathsheba<sup>5</sup>, b. Apr. 5, 1721; d. June 6, 1793; m. Oct. 10, 1738, Gideon<sup>3</sup> Sage, b. 1718 (John<sup>2</sup>, David<sup>1</sup>).

[Olin<sup>6</sup> Sage, m. Hugh Brown; Mary Ann<sup>7</sup> Brown, m. Julius Hill; Benj. Scanton<sup>8</sup> Hill, m. Elizabeth S. Jones; Edwin Allston<sup>9</sup> Hill, b. Jan. 18, 1850. Grad. Yale, 1875; M. S. and Ph. D. Columbia Uni.; m. June 18, 1884, Ida Maria Wood, b. Nov. 5, 1854. Asst. Ex. U. S. Patent office, Washington, D. C.]

68 Aaron, b. Oct. 25, 1723.

69 Hugh, b. Jan. 25, 1733.

27 John<sup>4</sup> White (bro. of Daniel), b. Nov. 27, 1692, Upper Houses; m. Oct. 6, 1715, Susanna Alling, b. 1694, d. Oct. 18, 1776, dau. of John Alling, Esq., of New Haven. Was a sea captain; rem. 1720 to New Haven, Conn., where he d. Jan. 15, 1783. Of their

*Children:*

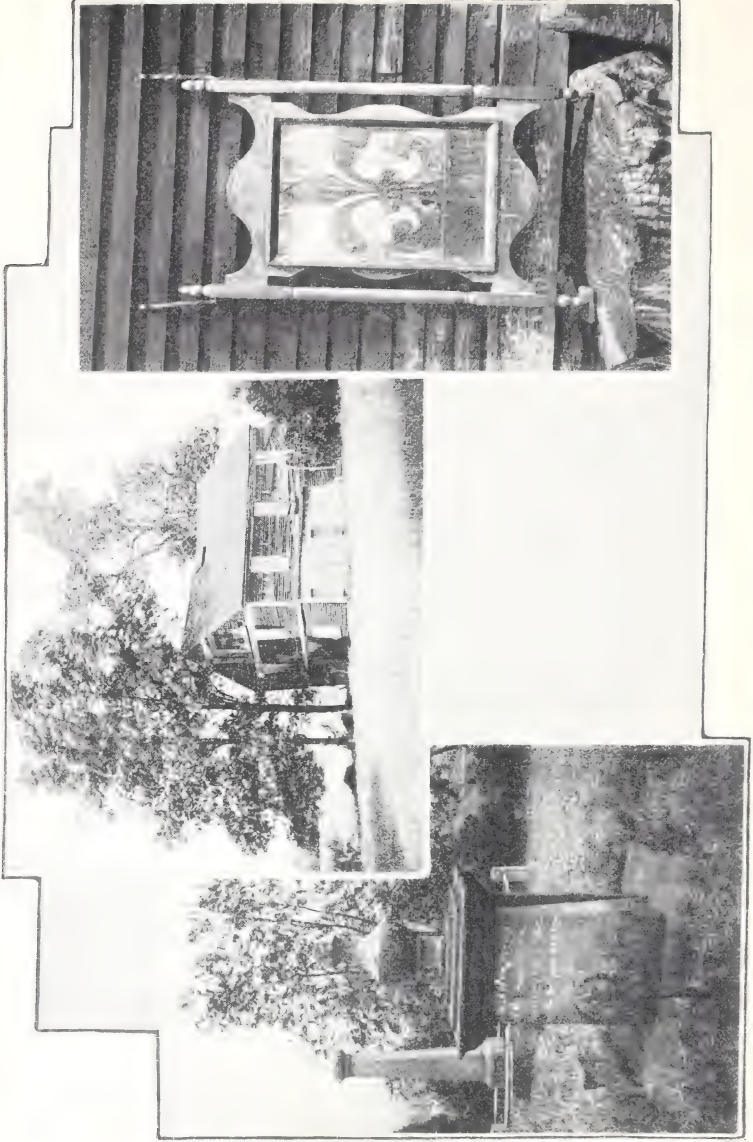
70 Stephen, b. June 8, 1718.

71 John, b. May 19, 1722.

31 John<sup>4</sup> White (Jacob<sup>3</sup>, Nathaniel<sup>2</sup>, John<sup>1</sup>), b. Oct. 19, 1712, Upper Houses; m. Oct. 31, 1736, Elizabeth Boardman, b. Dec. 22, 1713, Wethersfield, Conn., d. Nov. 17, 1800, dau. of Samuel Boardman and Mehitable Cadwell, of Wethersfield (see Boardman Genealogy). He inherited the homestead and d. Feb. 9, 1801. Of their



THE CONNECTICUT IN FULL FLOOD AND VIEWS OF THE OLD MILL WHEEL  
AND OF MILLER'S FALLS (See page 15)



THE HOTEL, HOTEL SIGN OF 1770, AND TOMBSTONE OF AARON WHITE (See page 719)



*Children:*

79 Jacob, b. Nov. 7, 1737.

Sarah, b. Jan. 16, 1743; d. July 25, 1774; m. John Collins.

*Children:*

Freeman Collins, bapt. Aug. 9, 1767; m. Lucy White (see 79).

Sarah, bapt. July 23, 1769; m. Capt. Timothy Savage (see the Savage Family).

John, bapt. \_\_\_\_\_; m. 1805, Margaret (Ranney) Keith. (See the Ranney Family.)

32 Ebenezer<sup>4</sup> White (Joseph<sup>3</sup>, Nathaniel<sup>2</sup>, John<sup>1</sup>), b. May 22, 1707, Upper Houses; m. May 27, 1737, Ann Hollister, b. Jan. 16, 1707; d. June 16, 1787, dau. of Joseph and Ann Hollister, of Glastonbury. He was the only surviving son, inheriting the homestead. His estate was inventoried at £14,270, 2s., 6d. He d. Mar. 26, 1756. Of their

*Children:*Mary<sup>5</sup>, b. July 11, 1740; m. Dec. 23, 1762, Gideon Hale, of Glastonbury. *Child:*Anna<sup>6</sup> Hale, b. Sept. 21, 1763; m. May 2, 1782, Samuel Welles, of Glastonbury. Their son, Gideon<sup>7</sup> Welles, was Secretary of the Navy under Abraham Lincoln.80 William<sup>5</sup>, b. Sept. 10, 1742.81 Elizur<sup>5</sup>, b. Feb. 19, 1750; m. Hannah Cooper.183 Elizur<sup>6</sup> White, m. Hannah Savage (Ames).[Sally<sup>7</sup> White, m. Benj. Leavens; Emily<sup>8</sup> White Leavens, m. Samuel Henry St. John; Florence<sup>9</sup> St. John, b. Mar. 13, 1852, N. Y. City, m. Feb. 11, 1886, Edwin Watson Pond, b. June 17, 1853, New Hartford, Conn. Res. Walton, N. Y.]*Children:*Martha<sup>10</sup> Watson, b. Dec. 26, 1886, d. 1888.

Emily St. John, b. Mar. 14, 1888, d. 1888.

Sarah Elizabeth, b. Apr. 2, 1889.

Samuel Henry, b. Aug. 24, 1891.]

68 Aaron<sup>5</sup> White (Hugh<sup>4</sup>, Daniel<sup>3</sup>, Nathaniel<sup>2</sup>, John<sup>1</sup>), b. Oct. 25, 1723, Upper Houses; m. Apr. 6, 1749, Sarah Olmsted, b. 1724; d. Mar. 18, 1814, Upper Houses, dau. of James Olmsted and Mary Butler, of East Hartford, Conn. At the time of his coming of age the northwest part of the then town of Middletown was being surveyed and set off to descendants of the "proprietors." He made a home in the northwest part of the present town of Cromwell. His house, his hotel sign, and his tombstone are given herewith. His house being on the line of travel between Middletown

and Farmington was well situated for a tavern. He served in the French-Indian War, and in the Rev. War, both on the land and the water, unless his son Aaron served on the water. At the time of his death there was only the old cemetery in the village. Israel Kelsey, who had bought the near-by homestead, with mill, of his brother Hugh, had given land for a cemetery, reserving in the deed the right for himself and heirs to pasture young stock on it. Aaron White was the first buried in it. The inscription, partly obliterated, was as follows:

West side:

*Ye mourning mortals  
That now think and see  
Read these few lines  
Which lead your thoughts to me  
Whom fate has fixed  
In this [indistinct].*

SACRED TO THE MEMORY  
of Mr. Aaron White  
Who died Feb. 17: 1802  
In the 80th year of his age.

North Side:

*In dedicating this  
ground for the  
purposes of the dead  
This monument is  
Sacred to the occasion  
The first mortal  
Remains are  
Entered beneath*

Here follows her inscription (indistinct).

East Side:

*Receive this portion  
Tho it be but small  
Its large enough  
To satisfy us all  
Free is the gift  
Tho destitute of charms  
Tis necessary for us  
Dying worms.*

The surviving daughters sold their interest in the homestead to their brother Samuel, and all removed to Central New York.

*Children:*

Aaron, bapt. May 26, 1754; d. unm. in the W. I. Feb. 5, 1782.  
Sarah, bapt. Sept. 12, 1756; m. Gideon Savage (see the Savage Family).

Rebecca, bapt. Mar. 11, 1759; m. (1) Nathaniel Loomis; (2) Gen. Edward Paine, who founded Painesville, O.

147 Samuel, b. July 3, 1762.

Chloe, bapt. May 5, 1765; m. ————— Olcott.

Lydia, bapt. Dec. 20, 1767; m. James Carey.

69 Hugh<sup>5</sup> White (bro. to Aaron), b. Jan. 25, 1733; m. (1) Aug. 23, 1753, Mary Clark, b. Feb. 10, 1734, d. 1774, dau. of Daniel<sup>3</sup> Clark; m. (2) Mrs. Lois Davenport, widow of Rev. Ebenezer Davenport, of Greenwich, Conn., and dau. of Jonathan Marsh and Elizabeth Loomis, of New Hartford, Conn. He settled in the northwest part of the present town of Cromwell, building a mill on the stream. Later (1771) he sold that homestead of 30 acres with mill, to Israel Kelsey, and came back to the house in which he was born. He served in the French-Indian War and was a captain in the Rev. Army, three sons serving also. His was

THE PIONEER FAMILY OF CENTRAL NEW YORK.

It may be that the observation of the soldiers from the Upper Houses in the campaign up the Mohawk Valley to capture Fort Stanwix, where Rome was founded in 1788 by Willett Ranney and his large family, with his two Wright brothers-in-law, led Capt. Hugh White to unite with Ezra L'Hommedieu, a member of the Continental Congress from New York, but residing in Upper Houses, 1780-1784, Zephaniah Platt, and Melancthon Smith in the purchase of a 6,000-acre tract, known as Wallace's Patent, which had been forfeited to the State of New York by reason of his being a Tory refugee. This tract "lay in this valley extending from the mouth of the Sadaqueda, at the Point, up the Mohawk, and back from it on each side, including a remarkable combination of interval with higher level plains and gently rising hills." (Address of the Hon. Charles Tracy at Whitestown Centennial. Transactions of the Oneida Historical Society at Utica, N. Y., 1881-1884).

Being fifty-one years of age, the hero of two wars, he became the

pioneer English settler in all Central New York. In May, 1784, with four sons, a daughter, and a daughter-in-law, they started for Albany, where they bought a batteau, and while some went by land, the others went by water up the Mohawk river. When they reached the last German settlement, German Flatts, now Herkimer, they plowed and planted the fields deserted by the homeless Dutch who had fled in war times, then proceeded to the Patent, where he built a cabin on the bank of the river. The sons returned at times to cultivate their fields at German Flatts and in the fall they garnered the crops, 20 miles from home. In the fall of 1784 La Fayette and the other United States Commissioners, en route for Fort Stanwix to make a treaty with the Indians, visited Capt. Hugh White in this cabin. In 1824 La Fayette visited the second wife, then a widow, in a framed house. On Mar. 7, 1788, the "Town of Whites Town" was organized. The first town meeting was held April 6, 1789, in the tavern of Daniel Clark White. It included all of New York State west of a line drawn north and south from the St. Lawrence River to the Pennsylvania line, and passed through what is now Utica, which city includes a part of the Wallace Patent. The population was in 1789 only 200.

Capt. White returned to Upper Houses in the Spring of 1785, bringing samples of the crops he had raised and created a furore which had no limit, and sent a hundred families from Middletown. He became a judge, and when he died there were 300,000 people living within the limits of the Town of Whites Town of 1789. The reader needs to peruse the history of Central and Western New York to enter upon details. His descendants have been very noted in the public walks of life. The limits of this chapter forbid further details. On June 5, 1884, the Centennial was celebrated and the account of it is found in the "Transactions" referred to above. The Hon. William Mansfield White read a genealogy of the White Family, from which the following is taken:

"He divided his purchase of about 1,500 acres among his sons and his daughters, who accompanied him, or joined him in settling this town. And yet, to-day, there is not in the town of Whitestown, nor yet in the County of Oneida, a male resident of his name and lineage (Utica is in another county). And so it comes to pass that you to-day, are celebrating, not the arrival of a family now with you, and of you, but are commemorating the first settlement of Western New York, which happened to be made by Hugh White (my ancestor). You are celebrating the founding of the first colony, outside of New England, by the Puritans, the first swarm of the Puritan hive. And these boulders of New England granite are to be, for all time, witnesses of the first settle-

ment of Whitestown by Hugh White, and family, of Middletown, Conn., and in the annals of the future may be looked upon as the second Plymouth Rock. . . . The peculiarity of the settlement of Whitestown was that it was settled by one family, and all the members of that family joined in the enterprise. . . . Permit me to add, speaking for the family, and the whole family, whether they bear the name of White or have been given in marriage and now bear other names, that this movement of the Oneida Historical Society, and this generous co-operation of the citizens of Oneida county to do honor to our common ancestor, and to mark the spot where the first home was, in the wilderness of Western New York, and the time when it was made, and to commemorate the actors, and their memory, has gratified our pride, has warmed our hearts, has increased our faith in humanity, has strengthened our love. And we reverently thank God that our fathers and mothers were of those 'whom the people delighted to honor.'"

The monument was then unveiled by descendants of Capt. Hugh White. The first white child born in the State after the Revolution, west of the German Flatts, was Esther, b. in 1785, dau. of Daniel Clark White.

Capt. Hugh White had five daughters and five sons. Mary Stone married Col. John Young, the founder of Youngstown, O. His five sons were:

*Children:*

- 148 Daniel Clark, b. Mar. 2, 1759; d. June 4, 1800.
- 149 Joseph, b. Jan. 16, 1761; d. June 17, 1827.
- 150 Hugh<sup>6</sup>, b. Jan. 16, 1763.
- 151 Ansel<sup>6</sup>, b. Jan. 11, 1765.
- 152 Philo, b. June 25, 1767; d. Apr. 12, 1849.

Descendants of these sons have been very distinguished in various walks.

The line of (150) Hugh White is represented by the following:

Canvass<sup>7</sup> White, son of (150) Hugh, b. Sept. 8, 1790, Whites-town, N. Y., spent his early life on the farm. At 17 he became a clerk in a store. In 1811 he went as supercargo on a voyage to Archangel in Russia. In 1814 he was a Lieutenant in the regiment of Col. Dodge, and was on the Niagara frontier, at the sortie of Fort Erie. He was one of the engineers on the Erie Canal and rose to great eminence in his profession. He was engaged on the Union, Lehigh and on the Delaware and Raritan canals; built the Delaware breakwater. Failing in health, he died Dec. 18, 1834, only 44 years of age. As an indication of his ability, capacity and standing, it is related that Henry Clay said to a gentleman seeking

an engineer for the construction of the Chesapeake and Ohio Canal, "Get Canvass White. No man is more competent, no man more capable, and while your faith in his ability and fidelity increases, your friendship will grow into affection."

Hugh<sup>7</sup> White, son of (150) Hugh, b. Dec. 25, 1798; was graduated at Hamilton College in 1823, and fitted for the bar in the office of Colonel Charles G. Haines, but turned to business. In 1825 he was located in Chittenango, engaged in boating on the Erie canal, and in the manufacture of water lime, called "White's water-proof cement," for his brother Canvass White, it being the first made in America, and afterwards at Rondout, N. Y. He established and built up the Rosendale cement works, where he manufactured much of the cement used on the Croton aqueduct. He was largely engaged in the development of the water power at Cohoes. In 1844 he was chosen representative to Congress, where he served three terms, and was actively engaged with others in building the Michigan Southern and Northern Indiana Railroad. He married, April 10, 1828, Maria Mills Mansfield, of Kent, Conn. Died at his home, Waterford, N. Y., on Oct. 6, 1870.

William Mansfield<sup>8</sup> White, son of Hugh<sup>7</sup>, and grandson of (150) Hugh, b. at Waterford, New York, July 8, 1833, was son of Hugh White and Maria (Mills) Mansfield, of Kent, Conn. At the age of 12 he entered Galway Academy and in 1846-49 attended the military school of Prof. Kinsley, at West Point. Graduated at Hamilton College in 1854; m. Jan. 22, 1863, Anna Pierrepont of Pierrepont Manor, b. Oct. 3, 1841, d. Sept. 22, 1884. Rem. in 1882 from his father's residence to Utica. Pres. of State Agricultural Society in 1884. Director and then President of Second National Bank. Held many offices in various corporations and educational institutions. Prominent in the Episcopal Church, warden of Grace Church, member of the standing committee of the Diocese of Central New York. Presided, 1884, at the Centennial of Whitesboro, instrumental in having erected in the village park the monument to his distinguished ancestor, Hugh White, giving utterance at the dedication to this sentiment: "Royal blood is an inheritance. Noble blood, if it begets noble deeds, is a blessing. But above all is the inheritance of a pious God-fearing and God-serving ancestry." On New Year's Day, 1896, he was on the street greeting his friends, was taken ill suddenly and died Jan. 3, 1896. The Utica papers gave editorial expression to his being the leading citizen in that community. His eleven children are members of the Society of Middletown Upper Houses.



*Wm. W. White*

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*Samuel M. White*

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*Hugh White*

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*Children, residing in Utica:*

- Hugh, b. Aug. 29, 1865; lawyer.  
 Wm. Pierrepont, b. Apr. 8, 1867; lawyer.  
 Anna Maria, b. Aug. 14, 1868.  
 Hubert Lawrence, b. Oct. 12, 1869.  
 Florilla Mansfield, b. Sept. 7, 1871.  
 Mary Pierrepont, b. July 14, 1873.  
 Cornelia Butler, b. July 2, 1874.  
 Isabel, b. Apr. 18, 1876.  
 DeLancey Pierrepont, b. July 12, 1878.  
 Charles Carroll, b. June 3, 1880.  
 John Dolbeare, b. Aug. 26, 1883.

70 Stephen<sup>5</sup> White (John<sup>4</sup>, Daniel<sup>3</sup>, Nathaniel<sup>2</sup>, John<sup>1</sup>), b. June 8, 1718, Upper Houses; m. Sept. 2, 1741, Mary Dyer, b. Jan. 31, 1719, d. May 27, 1802, dau. of Col. Thomas Dyer and Lydia Backus. He rem. with his father, Capt. John, to New Haven; grad. Yale, 1736. Ordained pastor of the Congregational Church, Windham, Conn., Dec. 24, 1740, as the successor of President Clap, of Yale College. He died Jan. 9, 1794, having ministered to the same church for more than 53 years. The Rev. Elijah Waterman, his successor at Windham, in his published Centennial sermon thus describes him: "Mr. White possessed good natural abilities, improved by early education. In his station he was a workman that needed not to be ashamed, and the manuscript sermons left behind him are a testimony of real piety and faithfulness, He was constitutionally modest, and, unless with his acquaintances, reserved in conversation. In his domestic relations he was tender and indulgent; and the same affectionate temper he manifested towards his church and people." His thirteenth child was

154 Dyer, b. May 20, 1762.

71 Deacon John<sup>5</sup> White, b. May 19, 1722, New Haven, Conn.; d. Nov. 24, 1797; m. Dec. 27, 1744, Mary Dickerman of New Haven, dau. of Isaac Dickerman and Mary Atwater.

*Child:*

Hannah<sup>6</sup>, b. Nov. 13, 1749; d. Sept. 20, 1803; m. July 19, 1771, Robert Townsend of New Haven, who d. Nov. 14, 1806. *Child:*

Nancy<sup>7</sup> Townsend, m. Augustus Maltby. *Child:*

George Williams<sup>8</sup> Maltby, m. Sarah Bogart. *Child:*

Geo. Ellsworth<sup>9</sup> Maltby, m. Georgia Morehouse. *Child:*

Dorothy Lord<sup>10</sup> Maltby, m. Clarence Sidney Verrill.  
Res. Soulsbyville, Cal.

72 Moses<sup>5</sup> White (Isaac<sup>4</sup>, Daniel<sup>3</sup>, Nathaniel<sup>2</sup>, John<sup>1</sup>), b. Aug. 22, 1727, Upper Houses; m. Oct. 12, 1749, Huldah Knowles, of Hartford. He was a hatter. Rem. in old age to Newport, N. H., where he d. abt. 1812, "very suddenly, while standing, conversing with his son" (James).

*Of his children:*

Huldah, b. Feb. 10, 1751; m. Feb. 22, 1776, Nathaniel Eells, Jr. (see Eells Family).

Ruth, b. 1754; m. June 29, 1778, Joseph Ranney (see the Ranney Family).

158 Moses, b. 1757.

160 Calvin, b. Dec. 17, 1762.

79 Jacob<sup>5</sup> White (John<sup>4</sup>, Jacob<sup>3</sup>, Nathaniel<sup>2</sup>, John<sup>1</sup>), b. Nov. 7, 1737, Upper Houses; m. Nov. 25, 1760, Lucy Savage, b. July 16, 1741, d. Aug. 20, 1812, dau. of Capt. Joseph Savage. He served as Lieut. on a privateer in Rev. War. Buried in Upper Houses.

*Children:*

177 John, b. 1766; m. Ruth Ranney (see the Ranney Family).

Jacob, bapt. Apr. 7, 1771; drowned Aug. 29, 1819, unm.

178 Thomas, b. June 10, 1773.

179 Lemuel, b. Dec 20, 1776.

147 Samuel<sup>6</sup> White, b. July 3, 1762, Upper Houses; m. Oct. 3, 1787, Anna Merrow, b. Nov. 19, 1764, East Hartford, Conn., dau. of Elisha Merrow. He purchased all other interests in the Aaron White homestead and in 1814 sold out to John Hand, a Rev. soldier, descendants still occupying it, and rem. to Holland Patent, N. Y., where he d. Mar. 1833. She d. Feb. 2, 1851, aged 86. The oldest

*Child:*

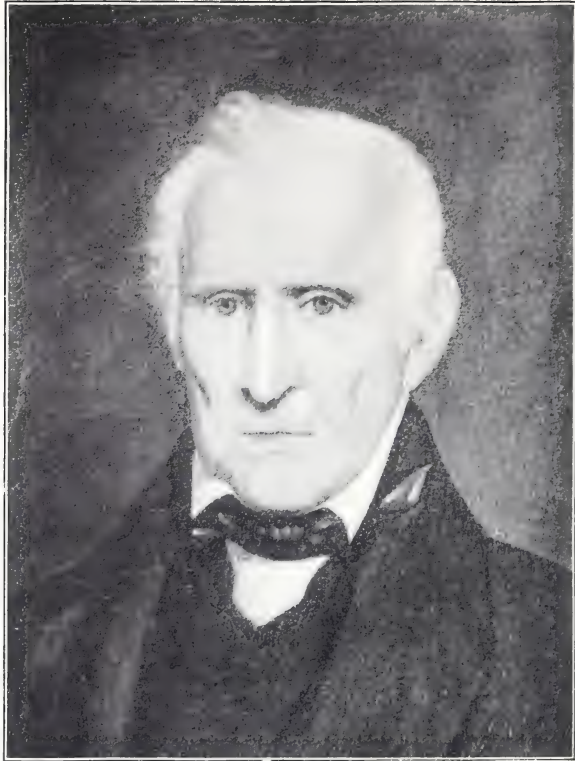
Aaron<sup>7</sup>, b. Nov. 2, 1788, Upper Houses; m. Rhoda Bagg, b. Feb. 27, 1795, Lanesboro, Mass. He d. Mar. 1833; she d. Feb. 2, 1857. *Children:*

Charles Merrow<sup>8</sup>, b. Nov. 25, 1817, unm., d. May 9, 1906, in the house in which he was born. Left \$100,000.

Martha<sup>8</sup>, born Nov. 15, 1823, Holland Patent, N. Y.; m. Sept. 10, 1851, Simeon Russell Fuller, b. Nov. 1, 1821, Steuben, N. Y., son of Russell Fuller and grandson



CHARLES MERROW WHITE  
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DANIEL FELLS  
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of Capt. Simeon Fuller, soldier in the Revolutionary War from Bolton, Conn., who followed Baron Steuben into the township of Steuben and settled on land still owned by his descendants. Mr. Fuller d. June 5, 1902. The widow res. on the site of the house built by her grandfather, Samuel White. *Children:*

Clara Cornelia, b. Aug. 26, 1852, Steuben, N. Y., is owner and principal of the "Ossining School for Girls"; Regent of Mohegan Chapter, D. A. R.; mem. of Sorosis, N. Y. City; unm.; res. Ossining, N. Y.  
Frank Russell, b. Nov. 21, 1856, Steuben, N. Y.; architect; res. Holland Patent, N. Y.

151 Ansel<sup>5</sup> White (Capt. Hugh<sup>4</sup>), b. Jan. 11, 1765, Upper Houses; d. Feb. 21, 1858, Whitesboro, N. Y., at the advanced age of 93. He m. Jan., 1791, Anna Root, b. July 7, 1770, d. Nov. 2, 1854. There were ten children, of which

*Children:*

Fanny, b. Feb. 19, 1797; m. (1) 1820, Daniel Sprague, who d. Aug., 1824; m. (2) 1832, Robert Robertson; d. 1861.

*Child:*

Catharine A. Robertson, b. 1833, Whitesboro, N. Y.; m. 1871, Cornwall-on-Hudson, George Wheeler, b. 1836, Northport, L. I. He d. 1896. Widow and daughter, Mary Antoinette, b. Jan. 7, 1868, reside at Northport, L. I.

154 Dyer<sup>6</sup> White (Stephen<sup>5</sup>, John<sup>4</sup>, Daniel<sup>3</sup>, Nathaniel<sup>2</sup>, John<sup>1</sup>), b. May 20, 1762, Windham, Conn.; m. (1) Mar. 18, 1791, Susanna Whittelsey, b. Sept. 25, 1766; d. Oct. 2, 1796, dau. of Rev. Chauncey Whittelsey, pastor of the First Congregational Church in New Haven; m. (2) Mar. 11, 1801, Hannah Wetmore, b. May 28, 1773, d. June 20, 1830, dau. of Seth Wetmore and Mary Wright, of Middletown, Conn.; m. (3) Oct. 24, 1832, Mrs. Eunice Bassett, widow of Rev. Amos Bassett, D.D., of Hebron, Conn.

Mr. White studied law with the Hon. Charles Chauncey and remained in its practice in New Haven till his death, Nov. 2, 1841.

*Children of second marriage:*

A son, b. Jan. 9, 1802; d. same day.  
306 Henry, b. Mar. 5, 1803.

158 Moses<sup>6</sup> White, b. 1757, Upper Houses; m. Nov. 15, 1779,

Melitta Porter, dau. of Dr. Joshua Porter, who m. (2) Oct. 25, 1786, Dr. Perez Mann of Burlington, Conn., and d. Nov. 19, 1789. According to family tradition he joined the Rev. Army and was taken prisoner in Canada. His dau. states that he left Southington, Conn., Jan. 22, 1783, sailed from New Haven, was taken prisoner and carried to Tortola, W. I., where he was set at liberty. He reached Cape Francis, Cuba, where he died Nov., 1783.

*Child:*

Laurinda Porter<sup>7</sup>, b. Apr. 22, 1782; m. May 17, 1801, John Miles of Cheshire, Conn. The fourth *child*:

Almeron<sup>8</sup>, b. June 1, 1808; d. July, 1876; m. Sept. 12, 1833, Caroline Laurens. *Child*:

Frances Elizabeth<sup>9</sup>, b. June 13, 1836; m. Sept. 19, 1855, William Hollister Risley, b. Sept. 8, 1823, Berlin, Conn.; d. Jan. 17, 1897. Widow res. Hartford, Conn. *Children*:

Jennie<sup>10</sup>, b. July 9, 1856; m. Frank Chaffee. Res. Meriden, Conn.

Kate M., b. June 8, 1858.

William Miles, b. Jan. 31, 1862, unm. K. T., Red Men. Res. Hartford, Conn.

Leoni, b. Jan. 7, 1867; m. Horace Eddy.

160 Calvin<sup>6</sup> White (Moses<sup>5</sup>, Isaac<sup>4</sup>, Daniel<sup>3</sup>, Nathaniel<sup>2</sup>, John<sup>1</sup>),

*Calvin White*

b. Dec. 17, 1762, Upper Houses, and bapt. Dec. 19; grad. Yale, 1786; ord. 1789; pastor of Presb. Ch., Hanover, N. J., 1791-95; ord. Deacon in Epis. Ch. June 28, 1798, and priest Dec. 1, 1799. Elected rector of Christ Ch., Middletown, and served awhile\* asst. to Rev. Dr. Richard Mansfield, at Derby, 1804-1819; received into Roman Catholic Ch., 1820; remained in Derby, where he d. Mar. 21, 1853. He m. (1) Feb. 28, 1792,

\* I do not know what news to tell you. Mr. Jarvis, I believe, was removed before you left home. Mr. White exhibited at the Church to-day & is talked of as being settled here, he has however come up by invitation to try & be tryed, there were a great number of his old Parishioners at Church, Mr. Coe was one & attended all day—Capt. I. Wetmore is not very well but made out to get to Church & say amen. I was myself at Church with Eddy, you must judge for yourself about his Oratory or Divinity when you come home, as I pretend not to judge about the latter, and as to the former I shall suspend my opinion for another time.—From a letter by Dr. Stephen Ranney, Jr., to his daughter.

Phebe Camp, of Newark, N. J., dau. of Capt. Nathaniel and Rachel Camp, b. June 18, 1770; d. Nov. 23, 1826; m. (2) 1827, Jane Mardenbrough. At the death of Mr. White the New Haven Palladium gave from the pen of an intimate friend a sketch of him from which we quote:

“After withdrawing from the Episcopal Church he remained in the parsonage house until the day of his death; although somewhat more than a quarter of a century ago in the uninfluenced exercise of his own judgment, he adopted the Roman Catholic faith. He, however, did not enter the priesthood of that Church. His letter announcing his secession to his friend, Bishop Hobart, which is published in the life of that prelate, is singular and interesting. He was a devoted and accomplished scholar, and one of the few who loved and thoroughly mastered the Hebrew tongue. In the Revolution Mr. White was a Tory in principle. His youth at that time did not, however, secure him from a severe trial of his loyalty and his fortitude. There were then, as there always will be in such times, bands of reckless and desperate men who make the name of Liberty a cloak for license and violence. Into the hands of one of these Mr. White fell. They suspected him to be a Tory, and ordered him to shout for “Property and Liberty,” under pain of death, which they had already inflicted on several. His only reply was: ‘Property and Liberty! What have ye to do with these? ye have not the one, and ye do not deserve to have the other.’ They instantly offered to hang him upon the nearest tree, and the halter was actually put around his neck; but the calm, unflinching boldness of the stripling scholar impressed some of the more generous spirits among these profaners of the name of Liberty, and for the sake of his manhood they let him pass unharmed. Throughout his long life Mr. White was honored and beloved by all who knew him. Those who learned to reverence him during his ministry, had nearly all died, or left the quiet village where he lived, for busier scenes, and in the tranquil retirement of his later years his Christian purity of life, the kindness of his heart, his intelligent and somewhat quaint conversation, and the gentle courtesy of his bearing secured him continued respect and affection.

“Mr. White preserved his faculties and his health perfectly. Until a few weeks before his death, he was as mentally capable as any of his sons, carried himself as erect as any one of his grandsons, and was as light-hearted and as simple-minded as the youngest of his great-grandchildren. His funeral took place from the house in which he had lived for half a century. High mass was performed at the Roman Catholic Church in Birmingham, near Derby, where the funeral services took place, but he was interred

in the old Episcopal burying-ground in the latter place. Of such as he it may be truly said '*requiescat in pace.*'"

*Third child:*

325 Richard Mansfield, b. May 26, 1797.

175 Gershom<sup>6</sup> White (Joel<sup>5</sup>, Thomas<sup>4</sup>, Jacob<sup>3</sup>, Nathaniel<sup>2</sup>, John<sup>1</sup>), b. May 28, 1775, Blandford, Mass.; m. 1804, Sally Parks of Russell, Mass., d. Apr. 15, 1833, while on a journey in N. Y. State.

*Child:*

Roland Parks<sup>7</sup>, b. 1816; m. Lucy Almira Shepard; was a merchant in Russell, Mass.; d. July 11, 1853. *Child:*

William Roland<sup>8</sup> White, b. Nov. 9, 1844; m. (1) Apr. 26, 1867, Susan Adelia Bailey, b. Sept. 19, 1844; d. Mar. 8, 1884; dau. of Christopher S. and Loraine L. Bailey; m. (2) July 30, 1894, Chester, Mass., Lida Haseltine Twiss, b. July 16, 1843, dau. of William Twiss and Lois Bigelow. Merchant and for many years proprietor of principal hotel in Chester. K. T., S. A. R., Soc. Colo. Wars. Res. Westfield, Mass. *Children:*

Cora Grace White, b. Oct. 1, 1868; m. George K. Smith.

*Children:* Howard and Elsie.

Alice Adelia, b. July 7, 1869; m. (1) Robert H. Tenney; (2) F. P. Finning.

Roland, b. Apr. 28, 1872; d. Mar. 1, 1906.

Ethel Daisy, b. Apr. 11, 1872.

Harold Orville, twin Ethel Daisy.

177 John<sup>6</sup> White (Jacob<sup>5</sup>, John<sup>4</sup>, Jacob<sup>3</sup>, Nathaniel<sup>2</sup>, John<sup>1</sup>), b. 1766, Upper Houses; m. Mar. 31, 1789, Ruth Ranney. (See the Ranney Family.) He purchased what had been the homestead of Capt. Hugh White. He was a sea captain and was drowned at sea, Mar. 19, 1799. A widow for 63 years, she d. Dec. 25, 1862, aged 92 years and 10 months.

*Children:*

John, b. June 26, 1790; m. (1) Emily Savage; (2) Mrs. S. Jones.

354 Jacob, b. Apr. 27, 1792.

354a Harriet, b. Jan. 12, 1795.

Alma, b. July 18, 1797; m. George Ranney (see the Ranney Family.)

Luther, b. Jan. 11, 1799; m. Maria Hayden.



178 Thomas<sup>6</sup> White (bro. to John), b. June 10, 1773, Upper Houses; m. (1) Sept. 8, 1803, Kitty Lions Keith, b. Jan. 20, 1779, dau. of William Keith and Polly Lions Callahan, who d. Aug. 19, 1807; m. (2) Mrs. Rebecca Edwards, b. Sept. 24, 1780, widow of John Edwards and dau. of Joseph Ranney and Ruth White. He d. Sept. 13, 1849. She d. May 14, 1871. He was a ship master.

*Child by the first marriage:*

Sarah Maria, b. July 26, 1804; d. Aug. 26, 1849, unm.

*Children by the second marriage:*

Catherine Lions, b. July 9, 1811; d. Oct. 15, 1833.

Ruth, b. June 6, 1813; d. Sept. 10, 1856; m. Sept. 19, 1839,

Edmund Beaumont. *Children:*

William, b. Jan., 1855; d., 3 days.

Thomas White, b. Sept. 3, 1856; m. Jennie Hanmer. Postmaster in Cromwell.

Clarissa, b. July, 1815; d. Aug. 8, 1815.

Augusta, b. Jan. 1, 1821; d. Aug. 28, 1897, unm. She inherited the homestead, which had come down from Jacob<sup>3</sup>, son of Nathaniel<sup>2</sup>.

179 Lemuel<sup>6</sup> White (bro. to Capt. Thomas), b. Dec. 20, 1776, Upper Houses; rem. to Westfield Society, Middletown, and died there Aug. 5, 1847. He m. (1) Feb. 14, 1799, Abigail Bartlett, who d. May 23, 1818; m. (2) Mar., 1819, Sarah Dowd, who d. Nov. 9, 1822; m. (3) May 6, 1823, Anna Johnson, who d. July 29, 1845. Had 15 children, of which

*Children:*

357 Aaron Johnson, b. Sept. 7, 1829.

Isaac S., b. Sept. 18, 1833; res. in St. Paul, Minn.

357a Henry Hobart, b. July 23, 1835.

John L., b. Feb. 10, 1842. In 22d Reg. Conn. Vols.; res. in Chicago, Ill.

306 Henry<sup>7</sup> White (Dyer<sup>6</sup>, Stephen<sup>5</sup>, John<sup>4</sup>, Daniel<sup>3</sup>, Nathaniel<sup>2</sup>, John<sup>1</sup>), b. Mar. 5, 1803, New Haven, Conn.; m. Jan. 7, 1830, Martha Sherman, b. Feb. 13, 1807, dau. of Roger Sherman and Susanna Staples and granddaughter of Roger Sherman, signer of the Declaration of Independence.

The following notice of the death of Henry White was prepared for The New England Historic Genealogical Society, by the Rev.

Increase N. Tarbox, and printed in the April, 1881, number of the *N. E. Hist. and Gen. Register*:

“HENRY WHITE, A. M., a corresponding member, was one of the best-loved and most honored citizens of New Haven, Conn. In that town he was born, March 5, 1803. Here he lived through his long life, and here he died Oct. 7, 1880.

“He was graduated at Yale College in 1821, at the age of eighteen, with the highest honors of his class. In 1823 he became a tutor in the college, holding the office for two years. Soon after he entered upon the profession of the law, in which he has been in the highest sense successful. We mean by this that his life has been full of business, while he has used his office only for the most just and honorable ends. He has been such a man as will always be found a real treasure in any community; one of those to whom men in perplexity go, feeling that they shall find a sure friend and wise counsellor. As a lawyer Mr. White made a specialty of real estate and trusts, and few men anywhere have been more sought for in this large and responsible department. He was a man of that noble Christian type of which New England has reared many. During the long period of forty-three years, from 1837 till his death, he filled the office of deacon in the Center Church of New Haven, one of the most important churches in New England. Here, for a long course of years, he was brought into intimate and friendly relations with Dr. Leonard Bacon. As pastor and delegate they have attended together many ecclesiastical councils, and it is rare to find a man wiser to give good advice on such occasions than was this distinguished layman.

“Mr. White became a corresponding member of our society Feb. 9, 1854, and though his life has been very busy, yet, amid the multiplicity of his cases, he has felt a real interest in our work and its results.

“In 1830 he was married to Miss Martha Sherman, daughter of Roger Sherman, Esq., of New Haven, granddaughter of the famous Roger Sherman of olden memory. By this marriage he had seven sons, of whom six survive, and four of them chose the legal profession.

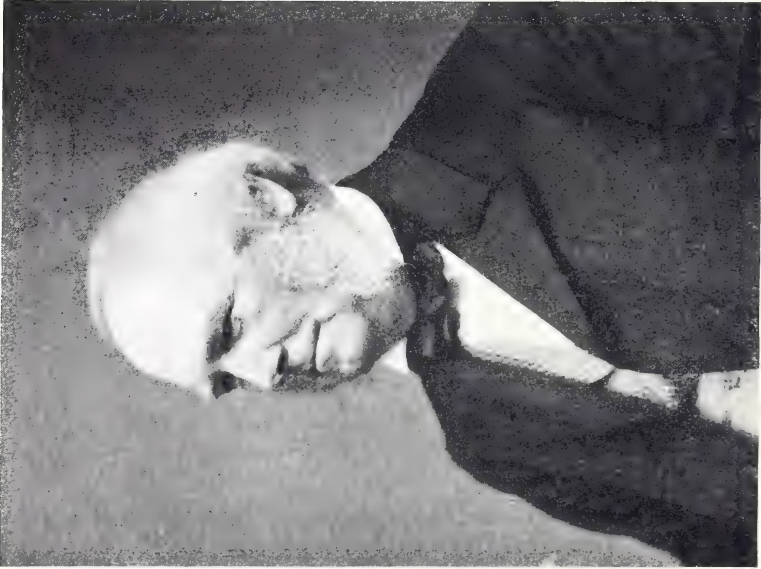
“Being such a man as he was, it was almost inevitable that he should be called into many positions of public responsibility and trust. He was a corporate member of the American Board for a long course of years. He was connected as president or director with the American College and Education Society from 1844 to 1879. Indeed, he was a director and counsellor in very many Christian organizations, and it will be hard to find another man



CHAUNCEY HOWARD WHITE  
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EDWARD LUTHER WHITE  
(See page 739)



*Henry White*

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WILLIAM ROLAND WHITE

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who will exactly fill his place in the various spheres in which he acted."

*Children:*

- Henry Dyer, b. Sept. 24, 1830; grad. 1851, Yale.  
 Charles Atwood, b. Nov. 11, 1833; grad. 1854, Yale; res.  
 New Haven, Conn.  
 Willard Wetmore, b. Feb. 7, 1835; d. \_\_\_\_\_.  
 Roger Sherman, b. Dec. 26, 1837; grad. 1859, Yale; res.  
 New Haven, Conn.  
 Thomas Howell, b. Feb. 4, 1840; physician; res. Yonkers,  
 N. Y.  
 Oliver Sherman, b. Nov. 2, 1842; res. New Haven, Conn.  
 George Edward, b. Mar. 17, 1845; res. New York City.

Henry Dyer White, b. Sept. 24, 1830; d. May 18, 1905. From the New Haven *Register*:

Henry D. White, the oldest member of the law firm of White Brothers, New Haven, died yesterday at the home of his daughter, Miss Elizabeth T. White. He had been in ill health for three years, but attended to his law practice up to this week, when his condition became critical. He was seventy-five years of age, the son of the late Henry White, also a lawyer. The system of keeping title abstracts to real estate established by the latter has been continued by the sons and these records are generally accepted by banks in real estate transfers.

Mr. White was graduated from Yale in 1851 and afterward studied law. He was a trustee of the New Haven Savings Bank for fifty years and was its counsel and also a director of the New Haven County National Bank.

The following resolutions were passed May 19, 1905, by the New Haven County Bar Association:

The bar of New Haven county desire to place on record in this minute a brief tribute to the memory of their friend and associate, the late Henry D. White, an honored member of the legal profession, and for more than fifty years a practitioner at this bar.

Born in New Haven of distinguished ancestry, educated at Yale College, and bred to the law in the office of his eminent father and that of the late John S. Beach, he was by birth, education, training and family connection a typical product of the New England environment and in a peculiar and special degree a representative of the traditions of his native town. Learned and skillful in those branches of the law to which he devoted himself, endowed with a fund of robust common sense, and possessed of untiring energy

in all matters committed to his care, he was, for over half a century, the friend and trusted counsellor of those who sought his advice and assistance. How faithfully he served them his reputation in this community bears witness. Honest, faithful, capable, he was not only a sound lawyer, a sagacious adviser and an erudite antiquarian, but a public spirited citizen and an important factor in the development of the community in which he lived. His ready sympathies and the innate and unfailing kindness of his disposition will be long remembered by those who were brought into personal contact with the man.

As a mark of respect for his memory, the president of the bar association is requested to present this minute to the Superior Court for New Haven County, and ask that it be spread upon its records, and to cause a copy of the same suitably engrossed, to be transmitted to the family of the deceased.

LOUIS H. BRISTOL,  
JOHN W. ALLING,  
HENRY STODDARD,  
Committee.

325 Richard Mansfield<sup>7</sup> White, third child of Rev. Calvin White, and named after the celebrated Rev. Dr. Richard Mansfield, for seventy-two years rector at Derby, Conn., was b. in Bloomfield, N. J., May 26, 1797. In 1815 he was appointed "a Cadet in the service of the United States," but resigned the appointment, entered the office of his elder brother, Robert, and became a shipping merchant. He was afterwards secretary and financial manager of the Allaire Iron Works. He took a leading part in the movement which resulted in the establishment of the first Episcopal Sunday schools in New York and Brooklyn. He m. May 25, 1820, Newtown, Conn., Ann Eliza Tousey, b. Aug. 5, 1802; d. June 8, 1842, dau. of Donald Grant Tousey and Lucretia Beers. He d. Jan. 19, 1849, Orange, N. J.

515 Richard Grant<sup>8</sup> White, eldest son of Richard Mansfield White, b. May 23, 1821, N. Y. City; was intended for the church, but after graduating in 1839, from the University of the City of New York with the degree of B. A. he studied medicine and law, and was admitted to the bar in 1845. His pronounced literary taste led him, however, to become an art critic and afterward an assistant editor, on the New York *Courier and Enquirer*. From 1858 to 1878 he was head of the United States Revenue Marine in the district of New York. Mr. White was the writer of the weekly letters, signed "A Yankee," to the London *Spectator* dur-

ing the Civil War, published books on the English language, on England, two volumes of essays on Shakespeare, and edited two separate editions of Shakespeare's Plays and Poems. He also contributed many articles on music and various other subjects to the leading magazines. His life was very retired, his chief recreation being music of which he had a thorough knowledge. He m. Oct. 16, 1850, Alexina Black Maese, of N. Y., b. July 4, 1830, dau. of Charles Bruton Maese and Sarah Graham, who resides at St. James, Long Island. Their children are

*Children:*

Richard Mansfield, b. Dec. 25, 1851.

Stanford<sup>9</sup> White (youngest son of Richard Grant White), b. Nov. 9, 1853, in the City of New York, was educated in private schools and under tutors, and received the degree of A. M. from the University of the City of New York. At an early age he showed a decided taste and ability for the study of architecture, and was trained for that profession in the office of Charles D. Gambrill and H. H. Richardson, and by a course of study for three years in Europe, whence he returned in 1880 to become a partner with Charles F. McKim and William R. Mead, in forming the firm of McKim, Mead & White. Among many public buildings designed by Mr. White may be mentioned the Washington Arch, the Madison Square Garden, the University of the City of New York, the Knickerbocker Trust Co., the Madison Square Presbyterian Church, and the Tiffany Building all in New York; besides many public buildings and private dwellings throughout the country. He m. Feb. 8, 1884, Church of the Heavenly Rest, N. Y. City, Bessie Spring Smith, dau. of John Lawrence Smith and Sarah N. Clinch, both of Smithtown, L. I. He d. July 25, 1906. *Child:*

Lawrence Grant<sup>10</sup> White, b. Sept. 26, 1887; is a student at Harvard University.

354 Jacob<sup>7</sup> White (John<sup>6</sup>, Jacob<sup>5</sup>, John<sup>4</sup>, Jacob<sup>3</sup>, Nathaniel<sup>2</sup>, John<sup>1</sup>), b. Apr. 27, 1792, Upper Houses; m. Nov. 22, 1815, Upper Houses, Susan Sage, b. Mar. 28, 1796, Upper Houses, dau. of Capt. William Sage and Abigail Eells, widow of William White and dau. of John Eells. He was a tanner; rem. in 1819 to Sandisfield, Mass., where for some years he carried on a large tannery. Ret. to Upper Houses, where he became owner of the James Ranney house, built, for his son James, by Ebenezer Ranney, be-

ing the north quarter of the original Ranney homestead. He d. Jan. 13, 1849. The widow m. James Goodrich and d. Feb. 2, 1869, Cromwell. A fine granite obelisk has been erected by his sons.

*Children:*

- William Sage, b. July 22, 1816.  
 Henry S., b. Feb. 12, 1818.  
 526 Luther Chapin, b. Dec. 25, 1821.  
 Harriet M., b. Oct. 3, 1825; m. Joseph Edwards. (See the Edwards Family.)  
 527 Jacob Watson, b. Sept. 19, 1827.  
 Abigail Eells, b. Oct. 23, 1831; d. Sept. 24, 1833.  
 Orrin Sage, b. Aug. 10, 1834; d. Dec. 6, 1841.  
 Jane Augusta, b. Dec. 27, 1837; d. Dec. 19, 1841.

354a Harriet<sup>7</sup> White (sister to Jacob), b. Jan. 12, 1795, Upper Houses; m. (1) Sept. 30, 1816, Capt. William Keith, b. Apr. 28, 1784; d. July 18, 1818 (see the Keith Family); m. (2) Dec. 21, 1827, Miles Merwin of Durham, Conn., who d. July 17, 1879. She d. June 5, 1858.

*Child by 1st marriage:*

Harriet Stocking, b. Dec. 22, 1817; d. June 8, 1902; m. Alpheus Tibbals.

*Children by 2d marriage:*

Wealthy Sage, b. Nov. 24, 1828; m. John Ives, b. Dec. 25, 1825, Meriden, Conn., son of Othniel Ives and Rosetta Yale. Retired merchant. Res. Meriden, Conn. *Children:*  
 Leland Howard, b. Oct. 16, 1859.  
 Harriet White, b. Sept. 14, 1861; m. Dec. 2, 1885, James Perry Platt, U. S. Dist. Judge; son of late U. S. Senator Orville P. Platt. Res. Meriden, Conn. *Child:*  
 Margery, b. Dec. 30, 1886.  
 Caroline Ellen, b. June 28, 1831; unm.; d. Feb. 17, 1863.  
 Phebe Camp, b. Oct. 24, 1832; m. (1) Apr., 1853, Gershom Birdsey, b. May 5, 1832, Meriden, Conn., son of Alanson B. Birdsey and Clarissa Wilcox; m. (2) Jan., 1861, Abner Canfield Wetmore, b. Oct. 21, 1815, Haddam, Conn., son of Samuel Wetmore and Martha Scovill, who d. June 3, 1883. She d. Jan. 5, 1869. *Children:*  
 Martha Scovill, b. Oct. 8, 1861. Res. Meriden, Conn.



Julia Merwin, b. Apr. 20, 1868; m. Apr. 30, 1889, Wm. L. Hatch. Res. New Britain, Conn. *Child:*

Harold, b. Jan. 24, 1900.

Margaret, b. July 10, 1836; m. Abner C. Wetmore.

Maria White, b. Sept. 25, 1839; m. E. J. Black. Res. Middlefield, Conn.

357 Aaron Johnson<sup>7</sup> White (son of Lemuel<sup>6</sup>), b. Sept. 7, 1829, Westfield Society, Middletown; m. Jan. 1, 1854, North Branford, Conn., Jane Deborah Chapman, b. May 16, 1832, Guilford, Conn., dau. of Peter Chapman and Eliza Harding. Corporal Co. C, 74th Reg. Ill. Vols., Aug. 9, 1862-June 10, 1865; Rep., Cong., I. O. O. F., farmer in Hammond, La.

*Children:*

George Sherman, b. Dec. 27, 1854; m. Elizabeth Knox; res. Hammond, La.

Annie Maria, b. Mar. 25, 1856; m. Mar. 25, 1877, Thomas Johnson Brown; res. North Platte, Neb. *Children:* Alice, Gertrude E., Lucy J., and George W.

357a Henry Hobart<sup>7</sup> White (brother of Aaron Johnson White), b. July 23, 1835, Westfield Society, Middletown; m. Dec. 25, 1866, Middletown, Conn., Jemima Augusta Sloper, b. July 16, 1832, England, d. Oct. 12, 1887, dau. of Jacob and Mary Sloper. Private, Co. G, First Oregon Cav., Jan. 26, 1863-Feb. 10, 1866; Rep., Cong., F. & A. M., G. A. R.; res. Meriden, Conn.

*Child:*

Laura Anna, b. Oct. 27, 1868; d. June 23, 1901; m. Emil W. Schewe.

526 Luther Chapin<sup>8</sup> White, b. Dec. 25, 1821, Sandisfield, Mass.; m. Nov. 28, 1844, Waterbury, Conn., Jane Amelia Moses, b. July 19, 1825, Waterbury, Conn. She mem. 1st Cong. ch.; d. Mar. 14, 1899, Tampa, Fla. His early boyhood was spent in Cromwell, Conn. At the age of twenty he went to Waterbury, where most of his life was spent. He was a very successful mfr., being interested in the making of the first burners for oil lamps. Afterward he established the firm of White & Wells to carry on the paper box business started by his brother, J. Watson White. He was also president of The L. C. White Co., makers of button backs and largely interested in western straw-board mills. A Rep. in politics, mem. 1st Cong. ch.; d. Apr. 15, 1893, Waterbury, Conn.

*Children:*

- William Henry<sup>9</sup>, b. May 7, 1847; d. Aug. 22, 1873.  
 526a George Luther<sup>9</sup>, b. July 15, 1852.  
 526b Harriet Sage<sup>9</sup>, b. Mar. 4, 1854.

526a George Luther<sup>9</sup> White, b. July 15, 1852, Meriden, Conn.; m. Apr. 15, 1874, Fairfield, Conn., Julia Phelps Haring, dau. of James D. Haring and Caroline Phelps. Pres. of The New England Watch Co.; The White & Wells Co.; The L. C. White Co., all of Waterbury; V. P. of Philadelphia Paper Mfg. Co. A very prominent resident of Waterbury, Conn.

*Children:*

Caroline Haring<sup>10</sup>, b. Apr. 10, 1875; m. Feb. 4, 1902, Robert Foote Griggs, son of Henry G. Griggs and Mary Foote; res. Waterbury, Conn. *Children:*

Haring White, b. Nov. 16, 1904.

Carolyn, b. Dec. 1, 1906.

William Henry<sup>10</sup>, b. Nov. 26, 1876; m. June 17, 1903, Mary Elizabeth Wade, dau. of Henry L. Wade and Martha Starkweather. Grad. 1900, Yale; Sec. and Treas. of New England Watch Co.; res. Waterbury, Conn. *Child:* Elizabeth Wade, b. June 8, 1906.

George Luther<sup>10</sup>, b. July 14, 1873; grad. 1901, Yale; Sec. of The L. C. White Co.; m. Aug. 7, 1907, Caroline A. Armstrong of Ossining, N. Y.; res. Waterbury, Conn.

526b Harriet Sage<sup>9</sup> White (sister to George Luther), b. Mar. 4, 1854, Waterbury, Conn.; m. Sept. 30, 1886, Waterbury, Conn., Hon. Lynde Harrison, eminent lawyer of New Haven, who d. June 8, 1906, Mrs. Harrison has taken a great interest in the work of the Society of Middletown Upper Houses and this volume is dedicated to her. She is mem. of Trinity Episcopal church of New Haven. Spends much time abroad, being at present in Dresden, Germany, where her daughter is a pupil.

*Child:*

Katherine White<sup>10</sup>, b. Aug. 3, 1892.

527 Jacob Watson<sup>8</sup> White, b. Sept. 19, 1827, Sandisfield, Mass.; m. (1) Sept. 19, 1850, Hartford, Conn., Anna Eliza Welles, b. May 7, 1828, Hartford, Conn., dau. of Chauncey Welles and Hannah King and descendant of Gov. Thomas Welles, fourth Gov. of Conn. She was mem. 2d Cong. ch., Waterbury, and d. Apr. 29,

1862. He m. (2) Sept. 10, 1863, Waterbury, Conn., Nancy Maria Welles, widow of Richard Moses and descendant of Gov. Thomas Welles. She d. Apr. 20, 1895. Mr. White res. in Cromwell, 1831-1850, when he rem. to Waterbury and established the White & Wells Co. Was an original mem. of 2d Cong. ch., and took a deep interest in church and municipal affairs. He d. July 5, 1865, Waterbury, Conn.

*Children:*

Chauncey Welles, b. May 12, 1852; d. Dec. 11, 1852.

527a Edward Luther<sup>10</sup>, b. Dec. 12, 1853.

Chauncey Howard, b. Mar. 24, 1856; m. May, 1901, Jennie Button Gates. Edu. at Williston Seminary. V. P. White & Wells Co.; d. Aug. 23, 1901, Waterbury, Conn.

Anna Sophia, b. Sept. 20, 1858; teacher in St. Margaret's School, Waterbury, Conn.

Mary Welles, b. May 2, 1861; grad. 1880, St. Margaret's School, Waterbury, Conn. Mem. Melicent Porter Chapter, D. A. R.; res. Waterbury, Conn.

527a Edward Luther<sup>10</sup> White, b. Dec. 12, 1853, Waterbury, Conn.; m. Jan., 1877, Laura Virginia Ogden, b. New York, dau. of Judge James Lawrence Ogden, of Jersey City, N. J. He was edu. Williston Sem.; grad. 1875, Yale Scientific School; mgr. White & Wells Co. till 1886; Sec. and Gen. Mgr. Waterbury Watch Co.; Delta Psi, I. O. O. F., F. & A. M., K. T. Widow is mem. St. John's Epis. ch. and Waterbury Women's Club; res. Waterbury, Conn.

*Children:*

Ogden Watson<sup>11</sup>, b. Sept. 10, 1877; unm.; grad. Yale, 1901; Uni. and Grad. Clubs, New Haven; Yale Club, N. Y. City. Connected with the New Haven *Register*.

Howard Sage<sup>11</sup>, b. Apr. 10, 1880; unm.; grad. Yale, 1903; Alpha Delta Phi; Yale Club, N. Y. City. Connected with American Ring Co., Waterbury, Conn.

Lucien Shepard, b. July 10, 1883; d. Feb. 5, 1884.

Edward Luther, b. Apr. 9, 1886; student in Class of 1909 Yale.

## THE WILCOX FAMILY.

The surname Wilcox is of frequent and widely disseminated occurrence in the earliest English records; apparently reaching back to much more remote periods. It was relatively a more frequent as well as a more considerable name in England three or four centuries ago than it is at present. For example, in the earliest continuous catalogue of Oxford University, extending from 1508 to 1523, this name in various forms of spelling is found no less than eight times among those receiving degrees, while the present yearly catalogue, with its greatly increased list, would average one or two. The same is true in respect to its earlier frequency in the list of county families. The earliest recorded traces of the name are found in Cornwall and Wales. In Downs "Visitation of Wales" (written in Welsh), the family of Wilkoks is named among the County families, and an English note to the text says of a certain William Wilkoks mentioned that "he was certainly deceased before 1305." Another William Wilkoks is named as executor of the Will of Sir John Golafree of date 1393. Of later date the name, in the more modern spelling of Willcocks, is found in many old records in various parts of England, and occasionally appears somewhat prominently, as in that of the Puritan author, Thomas Willcocks, some of whose books reached many editions, and still later in that of Joseph Willcocks, Bishop of Rochester, who, while Dean of Westminster, "restored the West Front" of that historic edifice. According to Lower, in his "Origin of English Surnames," the name Wilcox is derived from William, while Camden places it among names derived from birds. Neither of these authorities states how the derivation is made. It is also sometimes assumed that it is of Saxon or possibly of Celtic origin, but in any case is of very early date. It is equally certain that in the earliest emigration to America the name was represented by families from different parts of England in no wise connected with each other. Among these early emigrants of the Wilcox name was John Willcock of the Hartford, Connecticut, Colony, who appears to have been one of the "original proprietors" (as they were called), of that settlement. His name and the exact location of his house lot is found in the plot of the original plan of Hartford made as of date 1640, by William Porter of Farmington, by

surveys from the original records of the "Distribution of 1629." This is the earliest trace so far found of this settler. From the fact of his being numbered among the "original proprietors" it is a natural inference that he was one of the company of Rev. Thomas Hooker, who removed from Newtown (Cambridge), Mass., in 1636. The certainty is that he was in possession and occupancy of a house lot located in "the bend of the little River" (now a portion of the Bushnell Park), at date of the "Distribution of 1639."\*

The family of Wilcox is of Saxon origin, and was seated at Bury St. Edmonds in the county of Suffolk, England, before the Norman Conquest. Sir John Dugdale, in his "Visitation of the County of Suffolk," mentions fifteen generations of this family previous to 1600. In the reign of King Edward III., Sir John Wilcox was entrusted with several important commands against the French, and had command of the crossbowmen from Norfolk, Suffolk and Essex. John William Wilcox of Bury Priory in Suffolk, and eminent King's counsel, is the representative of this ancient family. Sir George Willcocks, of Brookend, County Tyrone, Ireland, is the eldest son of the late George Willcocks, Esq., of Coal Island, County Tyrone, by Isabella, daughter of the Rev. Charles Caulfield. He was born in 1820, educated at Dungannon, and is a magistrate for County Tyrone. This family is a branch of the family of Willcockses of Tottenham High Cross, Middlesex, but has been settled in Ireland for about two centuries. They have been, and some branches are still, members of the Society of Friends. On the old records the name is spelled both Wilcox and Wilcocks.

The arms of the Wilcoxes of England are, per fesse, *or* and *az.*, a fesse, gules, over all a lion rampant, counterchanged.

Crest: a demi lion rampant, *az.* The lion rampant indicates that he to whom the arms were granted had gained a victory while in command of the army. (Contributed by Rodney P. Wright, Cambridge, Mass.)

1 John<sup>1</sup> Wilcox was chosen surveyor, 1643-44; townsman, 1650; d. 1651. Will is dated July 24, 1651. The volume containing it was discovered a few years ago in a second-hand N. Y. book store by Charles J. Hoadly, State Librarian. Probably buried in Center Church "burying yard," where a tall obelisk stands, bearing the names of 100 of Hartford's founders. His wife d. abt. 1668.

\* The above is contributed by George A. Wilcox, esq., from his Wilcox Genealogical Notes; unpublished till used in "Fifty Puritan Ancestors" by Elizabeth Todd Nash.

*Children:*

2 John, b. \_\_\_\_\_.

Sarah, b. \_\_\_\_\_; m. John Bidwell and settled in Middletown.

Ann, b. abt. 1616; m. John Hall, Jr., and settled in Middletown.

2 John<sup>2</sup> Wilcox, b. in England, came to Hartford with his father, but rem. to Middletown Upper Houses, where he d. May 24, 1676. He had agreed to settle in Middletown, but failing to do so promptly the General Court in 1653, voted to compel him to occupy his grant or find a substitute. On Mar. 10, 1657, he purchased the homesteads of Joseph Smith and Matthias Treat, who were returning to Rocky Hill part of Wethersfield, but after combining these into one homestead he sold to his cousin, Samuel Hall.

In 1659 he was on the com. on roads and on June 30, 1660, was given lands at Wongunk. It has been claimed that he rem. to Dorchester for a few years. On Nov. 1, 1665, Thomas Hubbard sold to him "one house where J. Wilcox occupieth" and three acres of land therewith. Thomas Hubbard had already built near the corner of what are Pleasant and South streets, and the condition of his grant of 1663 was that he should not sell "till he doth inhabit four years," and so John Wilcox must have purchased and built before Nov. 1, 1665. These three acres have now what is known as the Beaumont-Hammer House.

John Wilcox had bargained for seven acres in the rear of his homestead and had received from the town a grant of three acres in the rear of these seven. Hubbard must have been in financial straights as indicated by John Crow's getting possession of some of his land, which his heirs and the treasurer of the Colony deeded in 1686 to Thomas Ranney, who proceeded to locate his two oldest sons, Thomas and John, thereon. Hubbard had sold his homestead to Isaac Johnson, who had come from Roxbury. Wilcox had died. Then Isaac Johnson deeded to Esther Wilcox, widow of John, as executrix of his estate, the seven acres aforesaid, retaining twelve acres which he soon sold to John Clark, who had married Elizabeth White, dau. of Capt. Nathaniel. John Wilcox married four times: (1) Sept. 17, 1746, Sarah Wadsworth, who d. 1649-50, dau. of William Wadsworth, who left one child; m. (2) Jan. 18, 1650, Catherine Stoughton, dau. of Thomas Stoughton, of Windsor, who built the Stone house or fort seen herewith; m. (3) Mary, widow of Joseph Farnsworth, of Dorchester and before that the widow of \_\_\_\_\_ Long; she d. 1671; m. (4) Esther Cornwell, b. May,

1650, dau. of William Cornwell. She m. (2) John Stow of Middletown, and d. May. May 2, 1733.

*Child by first marriage:*

Sarah, b. Oct. 3, 1648; d. Dec. 13, 1727; m. David Ensign, an original mem. of the West Hartford church.

*Children by second marriage:*

John, b. Oct. 29, 1650; d. early.

Thomas, b. —————; d. early.

Mary, b. Nov. 13, 1654; d. early.

3 Israel, b. June 19, 1656.

4 Samuel, b. Nov. 9, 1658.

*Children by fourth marriage:*

5 Ephraim, b. July 9, 1672.

Esther, b. Dec. 9, 1673.

Mercy, b. Mar. 9, 1675-6.

3 Israel<sup>3</sup> Wilcox (John<sup>2</sup>, John<sup>1</sup>), b. June 19, 1656, Upper Houses; m. Mar. 26, 1678,

Sarah<sup>2</sup> Savage (John<sup>1</sup>), b.

July 30, 1657; d. Feb. 8, 1724.

He d. Dec. 20, 1689.

*Israel Wilcox*

*Children:*

5a Israel, b. Jan. 16, 1680.

6 John, b. July, 1682.

7 Samuel, b. Sept. 26, 1685.

8 Thomas, b. July, 1687.

Sarah, b. Nov. 30, 1689.

4 Samuel<sup>3</sup> Wilcox (John<sup>2</sup>, John<sup>1</sup>), b. Nov. 9, 1658; d. ———; m. ———.

*Child:*

Francis<sup>4</sup>, b. —————; m. Nov. 13, 1711, Abigail Graves of Hatfield, Mass. *Child:*

Francis<sup>5</sup>, b. Oct. 9, 1717; m. 1741, Rachel Wilcox. *Child:*

Abel<sup>6</sup>, b. May 31, 1756; m. Dec. 4, 1776, Experience Ramsdell; rem. to Whitesboro, N. Y. *Child:*

Samuel<sup>7</sup>, b. July 25, 1781; m. Abigail<sup>8</sup> White, b.

Aug. 29, 1789, Whitesboro, dau. of Joseph<sup>7</sup>

(Hugh<sup>6</sup>, Hugh<sup>5</sup>, Daniel<sup>4</sup>, Daniel<sup>3</sup>, Nathaniel<sup>2</sup>, John<sup>1</sup>). *Child:*

## MIDDLETOWN UPPER HOUSES

Henry<sup>8</sup> White, b. Feb. 14, 1826; m. Mar. 16, 1863,  
Hannah Eliza Wilcox. Res. Winsted, Conn  
*Child:*

Edward H.<sup>9</sup>, b. Dec. 28, 1873; m. Sept. 21, 1898,  
Emma Grace Taylor. Res. Winsted, Conn.  
*Children:*

Abigail<sup>10</sup> White, b. Apr. 29, 1900.

Myrtle, b. June 16, 1902.

5 Ephraim<sup>3</sup> Wilcox (John<sup>2</sup>, John<sup>1</sup>), b. July 9, 1672; m. Aug. 23, 1689, Silence Hand, dau. of Benjamin Hand, who had rem. from Guilford to Middletown. The town record says he "departed this life by death Jan. 4, ———." It was Jan. 4, 1712-13. He had rem. to East Middletown.

*Children:*

Esther, b. Oct. 31, 1699; m. Thomas<sup>3</sup> Ranney. (See the Ranney Family.)

9 Janna, b. Sept. 20, 1701.

Mary, b. Dec. 10, 1705; m. John Warner.

Ephraim, b. June 4, 1709.

10 John, b. Aug. 8, ———.

5a Israel<sup>4</sup> Wilcox, b. Jan. 16, 1680; d. July 6, 1731; m. Mary North.

*Child:*

Israel<sup>5</sup>. *Child:*

Amos Bronson<sup>6</sup>, m. Sarah Rogers. *Children:*

Israel Bronson<sup>7</sup>. *Children:*

Frederick William<sup>8</sup>, b. Mar. 14, 1836, Stockbridge, Vt.; m. Jan. 27, 1870, Burlington, Vt., Mary Elizabeth Meagher, b. Mar. 16, 1845, Burlington. Enl. Co. G, 5th Vt. Inf., Sept. 2, 1861—Sept. 15, 1865. Was in Chicago with loss at fire of 1871. In express bus. until 1884. *Children:*

Frederick Edward, b. Dec. 31, 1871. Res. Philadelphia.

Walter Horace, b. Feb. 10, 1873; d. Feb. 20, 1890.

Flora Alice, b. July 9, 1874; m. Nov. 24, 1898,

Wm. Henry Turney, b. Sept. 2, 1870, Newton, Ill., son of Thomas Turney and Frances Northrup. Res. Chicago, Ill. *Children:*

Newton Everett, b. Mar. 22, 1902.

Myrtle Alice, b. Mar. 31, 1905.



Mary Elizabeth, b. May 12, 1876; d. Dec. 29, 1899;  
m. Jan. 21, 1897, Lambert J. Schmitz. *Child:*  
Chester Lambert, b. May 10, 1898.

Clarence Israel, b. Oct. 24, 1877; d. Aug. 26, 1900.

William Henry, b. Mar. 12, 1879; unm. Res. Chicago, Ill.

Mabel Ruth, b. May 24, 1882; m. Apr. 15, 1901,  
Lewis Moody Worley. Res. Aurora, Ill. *Children:*

Elva Nevin, b. Jan. 25, 1902.

Grace Elizabeth, b. Oct. 1, 1905.

Arthur Grant, b. Sept. 14, 1884; d. Oct. 19, 1901.

Abigail Ann, b. Jan. 13, 1886, unm. Res. Chicago, Illinois.

Hannah Rogers<sup>7</sup>, b. May 1, 1810; d. Sept. 21, 1892; m.  
Nov. 12, 1827, David L. Davis, b. Nov. 10, 1811; d.  
Jan. 13, 1875. *Children:*

Amos Bronson<sup>8</sup> Davis, b. Sept. 15, 1838; d. Oct. 4,  
1863.

Meridan W. Davis, b. June 21, 1841; d. Jan. 28, 1863.

Sibbel W. Davis, b. Mar. 23, 1843; d. ———; m.  
Nov. 21, 1865, Seneca Thompson. Res. Grundy  
Center, Iowa. *Children:*

Ray E.<sup>9</sup>, b. June 16, 1876.

Gay Grover, b. Dec. 10, 1878.

Fred, b. Mar. 17, 1881.

Burt, b. ———.

Alvin C. Davis, b. July 22, 1846; m. Oct. 20, 1869,

Mary S. Wilcox (Israel Bronson Wilcox), res.  
Chester, Iowa. *Child:*

Hannah<sup>9</sup> Davis, b. July 27, 1870; m. Mar. 16, 1889,  
William G. Lombard. Res. Plainfield, Ill.  
*Children:*

S. Henry<sup>10</sup>, b. Jan. 15, 1890.

Carrie M., b. July 28, 1892.

Laura B., b. July 20, 1894.

Nellie P., b. July 28, 1896.

E. Dewey, b. Aug. 28, 1898.

Sherman G., b. June 6, 1901.

Fannie M., b. Jan. 12, 1905.

Twins, b. Apr. 6, 1907; d. Apr. 10, 1907.

Melvin E. Davis, b. July 22, 1846; m. Jan. 20, 1875,  
Hannah O. Davis. Res. Naperville, Ill. *Children:*

Mabel A., b. Oct. 16, 1880.

Edwin b. Nov. 24, 1886; d. Dec. 7, 1888.

Hiram E., b. Oct. 1, 1848; m. (1) Sept. 4, 1872, who  
d. Sept., 1880; m. (2) Mar. 31, 1881, Mary Ann  
Leslie. Res. Aurora, Ill. *Children:*

Grace M., b. Jan. 18, 1877; d. ———.

Benjamin L., b. Sept. 29, 1883; m. Apr. 15, 1903,  
Nettie May Rink. Res. Plainfield, Ill. *Children:*

Irene M., b. Jan. 15, 1905.

Ruth M., b. May 2, 1907.

Pearl, b. June 1, 1886; m. Nov. 2, 1904, LeRoy C.  
Smith. Res. Oswego, Ill. *Child:*

Margaret, b. Aug. 8, 1905.

Silas R., b. Apr. 8, 1851; m. Oct. 27, 1875, Ellen  
Woodward. Res. Bristol Station, Ill. *Children:*

Edith L., b. July 16, 1879; m. Oct. 25, 1900, Henry  
K. Jones.

Elsie V., b. Jan. 27, 1881; m. Mar. 15, 1904, Fred  
S. Charles.

6 John<sup>4</sup> Wilcox (Israel<sup>3</sup>, John<sup>2</sup>, John<sup>1</sup>), b. July, 1682; m.  
Apr. 12, 1710, Sarah Warner. Was deacon in the Cong. ch.  
He d. ———.

*Of their children:*

John, b. Feb. 12, 1712-13; "departed this life by death sud-  
denly," Apr. 5, 1713.

Jemima, b. July 1, 1723; m. Janna Wilcox, Jr.

Moses, b. July 31, 1728; m. Desire Ranney. (See the Ranney  
Family.)

11 Ozias, b. Sept. 16, 1730.

7 Samuel<sup>4</sup> Wilcox (Israel<sup>3</sup>, John<sup>2</sup>, John<sup>1</sup>), b. Sept. 26, 1685;  
m. Mar. 3, 1714-15, Hannah<sup>3</sup>

Sage, b. Dec. 21, 1694, dau.

of John<sup>2</sup> Sage. He d. Jan.

19, 1727. The widow m. Malachi Lewis, and d. Apr., 1737. Four  
children by first marriage, the oldest

*Child:*

12 Daniel, b. Dec. 3, 1715.

8 Thomas<sup>4</sup> Wilcox (Israel<sup>3</sup>, John<sup>2</sup>, John<sup>1</sup>), b. July 5, 1687; m.  
June 28, 1716, Anna North, dau. of John North, Farmington,

*Samuel Wilcox*

great-granddaughter of John North, Boston, 1635, Farmington, 1653. He d. Jan. 20, 1726, and she as "Hannah" m. Richard Coleman and executed a lease of land to Nathaniel Riley.

*Children:*

- Martha, b. Apr. 21, 1720.  
 13 Thomas, b. Oct. 5, 1720.  
 Jonathan, b. Jan. 24, 1722-3; m. (1) Dinah Orvis; m. (2) Rachel Lewis. Said to have rem. about 1760 to Vermont.  
 Hannah, b. Dec. 3, 1724.

9 Janna<sup>4</sup> Wilcox (Ephraim<sup>3</sup>, John<sup>2</sup>, John<sup>1</sup>), b. Sept. 20, 1701; m. Apr. 29, 1725, Rachel Bordman, b. Nov. 16, 1706, Wethersfield, Conn., dau. of Samuel. Rem. to East Middletown. Of his eleven

*Children:*

- Silence, b. Apr. 19, 1726; m. Ephraim<sup>4</sup> Ranney. (See the Ranney Family.)  
 Janna, b. July 25, 1728; m. Nov. 14, 1751, Jemima Wilcox.  
 14 Ephraim, b. May 26, 1738; m. Diadama French, and rem. to Westminster, Vt.  
 14a Aaron, b. June 13, 1745.

10 John<sup>4</sup> Wilcox (Ephraim<sup>3</sup>, John<sup>2</sup>, John<sup>1</sup>), b. Aug. 8, ———; m. July 6, 1738, Hannah Wilcox (prob. dau. of Samuel<sup>3</sup>). He d. Oct. 21, 1795. Twelve children, of which

*Children:*

- 15 Joseph, b. Mar. 29, 1746.  
 15a Giles, b. Jan. 2, 1750.

11 Ozias<sup>5</sup> Wilcox (John<sup>4</sup>, Israel<sup>3</sup>, John<sup>2</sup>, John<sup>1</sup>), b. Sept. 16, 1730; m. Oct. 31, 1753, Mabel Gould, of Washington, Conn., who d. Sept. 26, 1774. Of his

*Children:*

- Amos, b. Oct. 18, 1757; in Rev. War; buried here.  
 Eliphalet, b. Aug. 30, 1761; served on a privateer; buried here.  
 Father of Eben, who was the father of Frederick, Joseph, James, Charles, and George Savage, residing here.  
 Asa, b. May 21, 1764; d. in Rev. Army.

12 Daniel<sup>5</sup> Wilcox (Samuel<sup>4</sup>, Israel<sup>3</sup>, John<sup>2</sup>, John<sup>1</sup>), b. Dec. 31, 1715, Upper Houses; m. Mar. 16, 1738, Sarah<sup>5</sup> White, b. April 22, 1716, d. June 28, 1807 (Daniel<sup>4</sup>, Daniel<sup>3</sup>, Nathaniel<sup>2</sup>, John<sup>1</sup>). He rem. to the "n. w. quarter," now East Berlin. Gave each child a

farm. The inventory mentions that he had laid out 60 rods for a cemetery. This is known as "Wilcox Cemetery," in the village of East Berlin. The table stones contain these inscriptions:

*In Memory of  
Mr. Daniel Wilcox  
who died (in a fit of Apoplexy)  
July 29th A.D. 1789 Æ 74  
He was the Father of 13 children,  
62 grand children,  
& 33 great grand children.*

*I gave this ground  
I'm laid here first  
Soon my remains  
Will turn to dust.  
My wife and progeny around  
Come sleep with me  
In this cold ground.*

*In Memory of  
Mrs. Sarah, Relict of  
Mr. Daniel Wilcox who died (in a fit of the numb palsey)  
June 28th A.D. 1807 Æ 92. She was the mother of 13 children,  
70 grand children,  
191 great grand children,  
18 great great grand children, total 292*

*Beneath this stone  
My dust it lies,  
Till the last trumpet  
Shakes the Skies.  
Children and friends,  
I warn you all  
Least suddenly  
Your Judge Should call.*

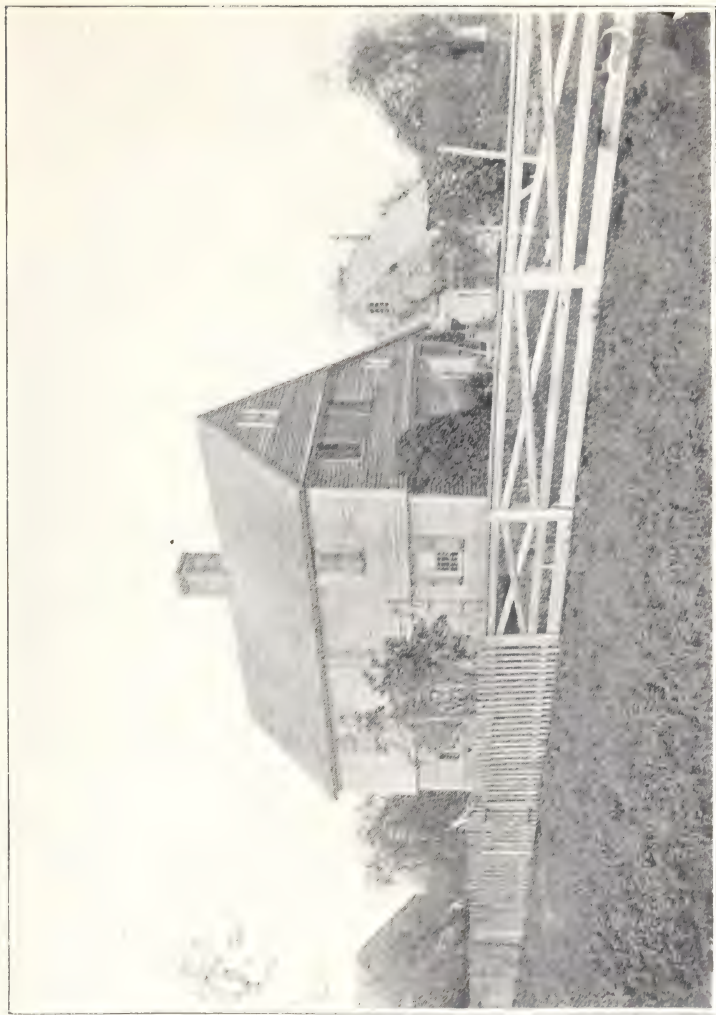
*Children:*

Lois, b. June 14, 1738; d. Aug. 18, 1805; m. Solomon<sup>4</sup> Sage, b. 1737 (Capt. David<sup>3</sup>, John<sup>2</sup>, David<sup>1</sup>), East Berlin. *Children:*

Solomon, Hosea, Calvin, Oliver, Joseph, Isaac, Luther, Grace, Mabel, Mindwell, Lois.

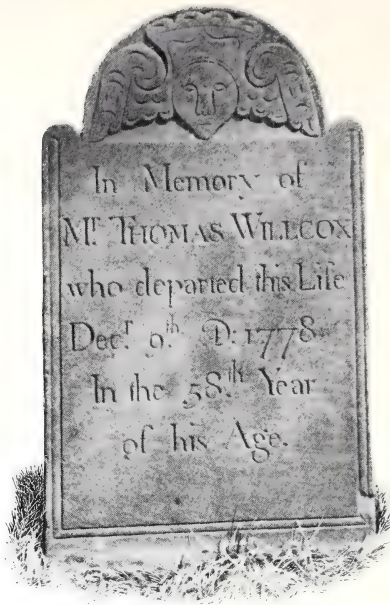
Sarah, b. Dec. 31, 1739; m. Jan. 27, 1757, Jedediah North.

Daniel, b. Nov. 17, 1741; "died in ye camp at Roxbury"; m.

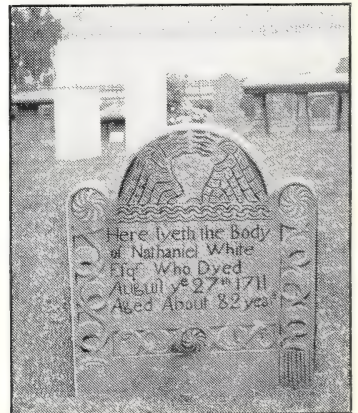


THE THOMAS WILCOX HOMESTEAD BUILT IN 1742 IN EAST GUILFORD,  
NEW MADISON, CONN.

(See page 119)



IN THE WEST CEMETERY, MADISON, CONN.



IN RIVERSIDE CEMETERY, MIDDLETOWN, CONN.

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(1) Sept. 22, 1763, Susanna Porter, of E. Hartford, who d. Nov. 13, 1769; m. (2) Nov. 7, 1771, Mercy Gibson.

*Children to live:*

David, b. Dec. 6, 1768.

Daniel, b. Oct. 26, 1774.

David, b. Sept. 24, 1743; d. Oct. 1, 1762, "at the Havannah," a prisoner of war.

Hepzibah, b. Jan. 31, 1745; d. 1821; m. Sept. 22, 1763, David Beckley, who d. Nov. 19, 1798. He kept the Beckley Tavern in Berlin and entertained Gen. George Washington on his way to Boston, about the time of the Battle of Bunker Hill.

Stephen, b. Oct. 19, 1746; d. Dec. 31, 1843; in Rev. Army; m. Mary Kelsey, who d. Oct. 26, 1836, aged 87. Lived in what is now the "Mildrum" house.

Hulda, b. May 24, 1748; d. —————; m. Jeremiah Bacon, of Westfield Society, Middletown.

16 Josiah, b. May 31, 1750.

Olive, b. Oct. 16, 1751; d. the day she was to have m. Mr. Hart, of New Britain.

17 Samuel, b. Sept. 12, 1753.

Isaac, b. Aug. 14, 1755; d. Nov. 23, 1775; unm. Was in Rev. Army. Taken sick in Boston, brought home and died.

Jacob, b. June 21, 1758; d. Mar. 15, 1841; m. June 7, 1780, Rachel Porter, of Hartford. In Rev. Army at 18. Was pensioned. Died in New Haven. *Child:*

Orrin, b. Feb. 11, 1782.

Patience, b. Jan. 4, 1760; d. Sept. 2, 1810; m. Eli Barnes, who d. July 18, 1851. Lived in the "Dora Kelsey" house.

13 Thomas<sup>5</sup> Wilcox (Thomas<sup>4</sup>, Israel<sup>3</sup>, John<sup>2</sup>, John<sup>1</sup>), b. Oct. 5, 1720, Upper Houses; m. May 16, 1744, Freelove<sup>5</sup> Bradley, b. Mar. 20, 1722, Guilford, Conn., d. Jan. 11, 1817 (Stephen<sup>4</sup>, Stephen<sup>3</sup>, Stephen<sup>2</sup>, Stephen<sup>1</sup>, b. Bingley, Yorkshire, Eng., came to Guilford 1639). Thomas Wilcox rem. to East Guilford, now Madison, Conn., where he d. Nov. 9, 1778. The plates of this house and tombstone, of Dr. Hand, Col. J. S. Wilcox, the Stoughton house, and Stoughton coat of arms, are furnished from "Fifty Puritan Ancestors" through the courtesy of Miss Elizabeth Todd Nash.

*Children:*

Clotilda, b. Apr. 29, 1745; m. Samuel Hoyt; d. Sept. 29, 1796.

Tamsen, b. Jan. 13, 1747; M. Eleazer Dowd; d. Sept. 14, 1820.  
Edmund, b. Oct. 7, 1748; m. Elizabeth Scranton; d. Mar. 7,  
1795.

Billy, b. July 11, 1750; rem. to Granville, Mass.

18 Jonathan, b. July 13, 1752.

Samuel Dowd, b. Aug. 28, 1756; rem. to Granville, Mass.

Benj. Bradley, b. Feb. 3, 1759; m. Mary Todd; d. Oct. 2, 1806.

14 Ephraim<sup>5</sup> Wilcox (Janna<sup>4</sup>, Ephraim<sup>3</sup>, John<sup>2</sup>, John<sup>1</sup>), b. May 26, 1738, East Middletown; m. Aug. 24, 1761, Diadama French, of Guilford, Conn., who d. Mar. 31, 1817, aged 80. He d. June 23, 1816, Westminster West, Vt., to which place he had removed in 1761 with his brother-in-law, Ephraim Ranney. He settled on the place now owned by D. C. Gorham. This was the first settlement of a family in the West Parish of which there is any record. He was the first to contribute for the support of the gospel in the west Parish, having in Jan., 1789, advanced ten dollars to Rev. Mr. Bullen to commence preaching there. The earliest deaths in the West Society were those of Ephraim, Jr., and Jemima. Their graves are found in the old family lot a few rods east of the school house in District No. 1, and large forest trees have grown over their graves.

*Children:*

Diadama, b. May 31, 1763; d. Apr. 22, 1781.

John, b. June 14, 1764; d. Sept. 1, 1839.

Waitstill, b. Apr. 1, 1766.

Jemima, b. July 15, 1768; d. Sept. 25, 1774.

Jerusha, b. Apr. 12, 1771.

Ephraim, b. Apr. 16, 1773; d. Oct. 4, 1774.

Jemima, b. Apr. 17, 1777.

Janna, b. Jan. 30, 1780.

19 Lumon, b. Sept. 24, 1789.

14a Aaron<sup>5</sup> Wilcox, b. June 13, 1745, East Middletown; d. Mar. 18, 1820; m. Sarah Bell, b. Feb. 19, 1745; d. May 18, 1820.

*Child:*

Asahel<sup>6</sup>, b. May 9, 1771; d. Oct. 31, 1817; m. Oct. 2, 1791,

Lucy Crittenden, b. 1772; d. Oct. 25, 1811. *Child:*

William W.<sup>7</sup>, b. 1802; d. Nov. 6, 1824; m. Mary P. Rand,  
b. ———; d. Nov. 4, 1826. *Child:*

William Walter<sup>8</sup>, b. May 23, 1825, posthumous; m. Nov. 17, 1853, Elizabeth Shepard Crittenden, b. Mar. 5, 1835, who res. in Middletown (see the Shepard



Family). Mr. Wilcox was eminently successful in inventing ship chandlery articles, and built up a great industry, commencing with \$133. In 1869 the firm of Wilcox, Crittenden & Co. was established and it is one of the largest in the United States. He d. Nov. 10, 1903. Mrs. Wilcox is member of the Huguenot Society, regent of Wadsworth Chapter, G. A. R., vice. pres. for Conn. of the Mary Washington Memorial Association. *Children:*

William Walter<sup>9</sup>, b. Apr. 11, 1862; grad. 1885, Williams College; m. Nov. 3, 1886, Mary Root, b. Aug. 23, 1865, Hartford, Conn. Succeeded his father as pres. of the firm. *Children:*

Pauline Root<sup>10</sup>, b. Aug. 3, 1891.

Elizabeth, b. Sept. 10, 1896.

William Walter, b. Dec. 27, 1901.

Mary C., b. Aug. 8, 1866; m. Oct. 1, 1890, Herman C. Whittlesey, grad. 1880, Yale. From 1881 to 1891 in Imperial Customs Service in China. Ret. 1892, and is a member of the firm established by her father. *Children:*

Percival Wilcox, b. Sept. 1, 1891.

Winifred Hamilton, b. Oct. 30, 1892.

15 Joseph<sup>5</sup> Wilcox (John<sup>4</sup>, Ephraim<sup>3</sup>, John<sup>2</sup>, John<sup>1</sup>), b. Mar. 29, 1746, d. Jan. 31, 1832; m. Nov. 30, 1785, Miriam Bacon, b. Feb. 7, 1762, d. Mar. 19, 1825, dau. of Josiah and Sybil Bacon. Eight children.

*Child:*

20 Elisha Bacon, b. June 20, 1795.

15a Giles<sup>5</sup> Wilcox, b. Jan. 2, 1750; d. Oct. 23, 1838; m. Nov. 9, 1775, Rachel Dowd, b. 1753; d. Sept. 1, 1828; dau. of David Dowd and Sarah Turner.

*Child:*

Giles<sup>6</sup>, b. Aug. 28, 1779; d. Sept. 20, 1841; m. Feb. 27, 1803, Lucy Clark, b. Dec., 1778; d. Apr. 17, 1834; dau. of Benjamin and Abiah Clark. Farmer, surveyor, teacher. Of their *children:*

Rachel<sup>7</sup>, b. Apr. 14, 1804; d. Mar. 13, 1886; m. Selden G. Ely, noted surveyor of Cromwell.

Susannah<sup>7</sup>, b. Mar., 1806; m. Wm. D. Starr. *Child:*

Mrs. Edward T. Johnson of Cromwell.

20a Lucy Ann<sup>7</sup>, b. May 12, 1814; m. Wm. Frederick Boardman.

16 Josiah<sup>6</sup> Wilcox (Daniel<sup>5</sup>, Samuel<sup>4</sup>, Israel<sup>3</sup>, John<sup>2</sup>, John<sup>1</sup>), b. May 31, 1750, "n. w. quarter," Upper Houses, now East Berlin; m. (1) Sept. 23, 1773, Elizabeth Treat, who d. May 13, 1775; m. (2) Mar. 20, 1777, Huldah<sup>5</sup> Savage, b. Mar. 25, 1755, d. Jan. 22, 1816 (John<sup>4</sup>, Thomas<sup>3</sup>, John<sup>2</sup>, John<sup>1</sup>). He was a fifer in the Rev. Army, and d. Sept. 3, 1835.

*Children by first marriage:*

- 21 Joseph Russell, b. Jan. 16, 1774.  
Elizabeth, b. May 3, 1775; d. Mar. 30, 1815; m. Junia Warner.  
(See Warner Family.)

*Children by second marriage:*

- Olive, b. Jan. 14, 1778; d. Feb. 16, 1847; m. Dec. 22, 1800,  
James Booth, b. 1776, d. Jan. 2, 1859.
- 21a Lemuel, b. Feb. 28, 1780.  
Lyman, b. 1782; d. 1782.
- 22 Lyman, b. Dec. 19, 1784.  
Lynda, b. Oct. 31, 1786; d. Mar. 18, 1816; m. 1811, Reuben  
North, b. 1787, d. Apr. 4, 1853. He m. (2) Huldah, the  
sister.  
Huldah, b. Oct. 11, 1789; d. Sept. 11, 1865; m. Reuben North.  
Horace, b. Sept. 9, 1793; m. Sophia Lombard.  
Hepzibah<sup>7</sup>, b. Apr. 29, 1796; d. Aug., 1853; m. (1) Aug. 19,  
1818, Norris Galpin, b. Mar. 22, 1794, d. Mar. 3, 1826;  
m. (2) Benj. Wilcox, b. June 27, 1782.

[GALPIN LINEAGE—John Galpin lived in Bristol, England.

Philip<sup>1</sup> Galpin came to Stratford, Conn.

Sergeant Caleb<sup>3</sup> Galpin grandson of Philip<sup>1</sup>, came from Stratford and settled in the "n. w. quarter," now Berlin, Conn., purchased a large farm, and was a man of influence.

Amos<sup>4</sup> Galpin, Berlin, m. Anna Patterson, a sister of William and Edward Patterson, the first mfrs. of tinware in the U. S.

Thomas<sup>5</sup> Galpin served in Capt. Gad Stanley's Co. in the Revolution.

Norris<sup>6</sup> Galpin, b. Mar. 22, 1794; d. Mar. 3, 1826; m. Aug. 19, 1818, Hepzibah Wilcox.

Henry Norris<sup>7</sup> Galpin, b. Dec. 22, 1820, on his mother's side was descended from John Kirby, Thomas Ranney, David Sage, John Savage, Nathaniel White and John Wilcox. His mother, as a widow, with her little son, lived with her relatives and until her marriage to Benjamin Wilcox. Henry Norris Galpin then became

a clerk in the store of Samuel Curtis Wilcox, and for a while managed a store for him in Washington, N. C. In a few years he became a partner in the Berlin store, the firm being Wilcox, Galpin & Co., and remained with the firm under all its changes to his death, in 1892. He became postmaster in 1845 and, excepting a period of four years, was postmaster till his death. He was received, in 1854, into the Cong. Ch., and was a liberal contributor to its support. He was known as "the poor man's friend." He was treasurer of the church, school district, Olive Selden School Fund, trustee of the Cole Fund, director of the Berlin Iron Bridge Co., Vice-President of the Berlin Savings Bank from its origin in 1873 to his death. He was a member of the Legislature in 1863, 1880, and 1882. He m. (1) T. Eliza Dowd, who d. in 1846; m. (2) 1864, Harriet A. Dowd, who d. in 1865; m. (3) Oct. 2, 1867, Eliza Sanford Booth. He d. Dec. 22, 1892.

*Children:*

Mary, b. July 24, 1868; m. June 24, 1891, Ernest W. Mildrum.  
Res. East Berlin, Conn.

Ruth, b. Dec. 4, 1870; unm.; res. Berlin, Conn.

Helen, b. May 23, 1879; m. Jan. 8, 1902, Arthur H. Lombard.  
Res. Guilford, Conn.

17 Samuel<sup>6</sup> Wilcox (Daniel<sup>5</sup>; Samuel<sup>4</sup>, Israel<sup>3</sup>, John<sup>2</sup>, John<sup>1</sup>), b. Sept. 12, 1753, Upper Houses, now East Berlin; m. (1) May 28, 1778, Middletown, Conn., Phebe Dowd, b. May 28, 1759; d. Mar. 9, 1796, dau. of Richard Dowd; m. (2) Sarah<sup>5</sup> Savage, b. Feb. 17, 1757, d. Feb. 26, 1826 (Elisha<sup>4</sup>, a Rev. soldier; William<sup>3</sup>, William<sup>2</sup>, John<sup>1</sup>); m. (3) Rebecca<sup>5</sup> Savage, b. Dec. 12, 1762; d. May, 1844; sister to Sarah<sup>5</sup>. He d. Mar. 12, 1832. Lived in the "Heald" house.

*Children:*

Richard, b. Oct. 24, 1780; d. Sept. 3, 1839; m. (1) Nov. 23, 1802, Olive Porter, b. Mar. 15, 1783; d. May 27, 1827; m. (2) widow Betsy Smith, b. Feb. 17, 1757, d. ———, 1829; m. (3) widow Laura<sup>5</sup> Savage Smith, b. Dec. 12, 1762; d. ———; sister of Betsey Savage. *Children:* Willis, Celestia, Mary Olive, Maria.

23 Benjamin, b. June 27, 1782.

Daniel, b. June 27, 1785; d. ———; m. Sept. 8, 1811, Mary Thorpe, b. Jan. 12, 1792; rem. to N. Y. *Children:* Henry, Julia, Emily, Lyman, Albert, Edward.

Sylvester, b. Apr. 20, 1788; d. July 25, 1854; m. Apr. 27, 1812, Lurania Dickenson, b. Oct. 1, 1792; rem. to New

York. Children: Phebe, Cedelia, Lauretta, Elizabeth, Josiah.

18 Jonathan<sup>6</sup> Wilcox (Thomas<sup>5</sup>, Thomas<sup>4</sup>, Israel<sup>3</sup>, John<sup>2</sup>, John<sup>1</sup>), b. July 13, 1752, Guilford, Conn.; m. Elizabeth Todd, b. Feb. 10, 1764; d. Sept. 29, 1833, dau. of Timothy Todd. He was a member of Capt. Hand's Company from Sept. 8 to Oct. 31, 1776, his brother Edmund being sergeant of the same company.

*Children:*

Curtis, b. Mar. 7, 1775; m. Wealthy Hill; d. Aug. 15, 1829.  
Johh, b. Apr. 5, 1777; m. Electa Goodrich.

Amos Todd, b. Aug. 5, 1779; m. Cynthia Bushnell.

Elizabeth Todd<sup>7</sup>, b. Feb. 24, 1782; m. Oct. 25, 1804, David Phelps Nash, d. July 19, 1849. *Child:*

Jonathan Wilcox<sup>8</sup> Nash, m. Catherine Artemesia Wilcox.

*Child:*

Elizabeth Todd<sup>9</sup> Nash, author of "Fifty Puritan Ancestors."

Henry, b. July 22, 1785; m. Jeannette Bushnell; d. Jan., 1853.

Matilda, b. 1788; d., unm., Oct. 22, 1809.

Sarah, b. Feb. 20, 1789; m. George Pratt.

18a Jonathan Samuel<sup>7</sup>, b. Nov. 1, 1791.

Augustus B., b. Oct. 4, 1794; m. Clarissa Jewett; d. Feb. 10, 1873.

18a Jonathan<sup>6</sup> Samuel<sup>7</sup> Wilcox, b. Nov. 1, 1791; m. Chloe<sup>7</sup> Hand, b. Nov. 30, 1791; d. Sept. 21, 1875 (Daniel Hand<sup>6</sup>, Jr., Capt. Daniel<sup>5</sup>, Janna<sup>4</sup>, Joseph<sup>3</sup>, Jr., Joseph<sup>2</sup>, John<sup>1</sup>, of Maidstone, Kent, Eng., b. abt. 1611, came to Lynn, Mass., 1635; to South Hampton, L. I., to East Hampton, L. I.; d. 1660).

"Colonel Jonathan Samuel Wilcox was made Colonel of Militia and in that capacity received and entertained Lafayette upon his visit to Madison in 1824. He had extensive business interests, was prominent in all plans for the public welfare and regarded as an intellectual man with very progressive ideas." (Miss Nash.) He d. Feb. 10, 1875.

*Children:*

William Wallace<sup>8</sup>, d., unm., Yale, 1835.

Eliza Maria, m. Joseph Hand Scranton. *Children:*

Joseph Augustine, m. Ada Meylert; mem. Congress five terms, Scranton, Pa., Dist.

Jonathan Samuel, d. infancy.

Jonathan Samuel<sup>8</sup>, m. Sarah Jane Ansley, of Augusta, Georgia. *Children:*



HENRY NORRIS GALPIN  
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COL. JONATHAN SAMUEL WILCOX  
(See page 754)

William Wallace<sup>9</sup>, d., unm.

George Ansley, m. Ida Van Epps.

Katherine Jessie, m. Graham C. Dunlop.

Sarah Jane.

John Samuel, d., unm.

Catherine Artemesia<sup>8</sup>, m. Jonathan Wilcox Nash. *Children:*

Frances Jane<sup>9</sup>, m. George W. King.

Daniel Hand Wilcox, d. y.

Catherine Gertrude.

Elizabeth Todd, authoress.

Alice Maria.

Daniel Hand<sup>8</sup>, m. Frances Louise Ansley. *Children:*

Eliza Maria<sup>9</sup>, m. George Pliny Sawyer.

Ansley, Yale, 1874; m. (1) Cornelia Rumsey; (2) Grace Rumsey.

Marion, Yale, 1878; m. Eleanor Sanchez.

Elizabeth Hand, m. Walter Irving Badger.

Daniel Hand, m. Bessie Hurd.

Francis Ansley, m. Annie Corson.

Esther Ansley, m. Rev. Edward C. Fellowes.

Mabel McGhee.

David Urquhart, Yale, 1895.

George Augustus<sup>8</sup>, Yale, 1852; m. Mary Hobart Grenelle, res. Madison, Conn., in summer, N. Y. City in winter.

*Child:*

Constance Grenelle.

19 Lumon<sup>6</sup> Wilcox (Ephraim<sup>5</sup>, Janna<sup>4</sup>, Ephraim<sup>3</sup>, John<sup>2</sup>, John<sup>1</sup>), b. Sept. 24, 1789, Westminster West, Vt.; m. May 26, 1803, Zibah Howard, b. Dec. 4, 1781. He d. Apr. 27, 1847.

*Children:*

Janna, b. Aug. 6, 1803; d. May 31, 1868.

Clarissa, b. Oct. 3, 1805; d. Jan. 9, 1844.

Ancil, b. Aug. 29, 1809; d. July 13, 1867.

Mary, b. Feb. 26, 1812; d. July 27, 1862.

24 Ephraim, b. May 8, 1816.

25 Adaline Diadama, b. Apr. 26, 1818; m. Geo. Campbell.

Rhoda, b. Nov. 23, 1820; d. Apr. 4, 1899; m. John Stevens.

26 Jane Jemima, b. Nov. 28, 1822; m. D. C. Gorham.

20 Elisha Bacon<sup>6</sup> Wilcox (Joseph<sup>5</sup>, John<sup>4</sup>, Ephraim<sup>3</sup>, John<sup>2</sup>, John<sup>1</sup>), b. June 20, 1795; m. Jan. 26, 1818, Hepzibah, ————. Lived in Westfield Society, Middletown.

*Of their children:*

- 27 Horace Cornwell, b. Jan. 26, 1824.  
 Dennis Cornwell, b. Dec. 14, 1831. *Child:*  
 Frederick Peck Wilcox, office of International Silver Co.,  
 New York City.

20a Lucy Ann Wilcox, b. May 12, 1814; d. Oct. 21, 1843; m.  
 Apr. 16, 1835, William Frederick<sup>7</sup> Boardman (Nathan<sup>6</sup>, Nathan<sup>5</sup>,  
 Josiah<sup>4</sup>, Isaac<sup>3</sup>, Isaac<sup>2</sup>, Samuel<sup>1</sup>), b. May 29, 1813; d. June 17,  
 1847.

*Child:*

- 28 Arthur Boardman, b. Apr. 28, 1839.

21 Joseph Russell<sup>7</sup> Wilcox (Josiah<sup>6</sup>, Daniel<sup>5</sup>, Samuel<sup>4</sup>, Israel<sup>3</sup>,  
 John<sup>2</sup>, John<sup>1</sup>), b. Jan. 16, 1774, "n. w. quarter," now Berlin; m.  
 (1) Dec. 2, 1795; Lena Foster; (2) Jan. 2, 1849, Betsy Haskell,  
 widow of Captain William<sup>6</sup> Smith (Captain John<sup>5</sup>, Joseph<sup>4</sup>, Rev.  
 Joseph<sup>3</sup>, Philip<sup>2</sup>, Samuel<sup>1</sup>). He built the house now the "Geo-  
 ghegan" house, standing opposite the Northwest cemetery; was dea-  
 con of the Cong. Ch. in Upper Houses, owned a grist mill and  
 fulling mill, manufactured brick, owned at time of death the  
 Middletown-Farmington Turnpike Co. He d. Jan. 25, 1852.

*Of their children:*

- Chauncey, b. Sept. 6, 1796; was a Cong. clergyman; d. Jan.  
 31, 1852.  
 Alsa<sup>8</sup>, b. Sept. 26, 1798; m. Oct. 5, 1823, Emily<sup>7</sup> Treat  
 (Elisha<sup>6</sup>, Elisha<sup>5</sup>, Isaac<sup>4</sup>, Thomas<sup>3</sup>, Richard<sup>2</sup>, Richard<sup>1</sup>),  
 b. July 16, 1804, Upper Houses, who d. Sept. 25, 1872.  
 He d. Oct. 10, 1838. *Children:*  
 Lydia Hart<sup>9</sup>, b. July 8, 1824; m. June 11, 1844, Albert  
 Bacon, son of Ebenezer Bacon and Lavinia Wilcox.  
 She d. July 22, 1893. He d. Mar. 1, 1907.  
 Chauncey, b. Sept. 12, 1826; d. Jan. 29, 1833.  
 Mary Treat, b. June 29, —; d. Jan. 29, 1833.  
 Emily Treat, b. May 4, 1834, unm. Res. Westfield Society.  
 Adaline, b. May 6, 1836. Res. Westfield Society.

21a Lemuel Wilcox, b. Feb. 28, 1780; d. Nov. 24, 1864, Berlin,  
 Conn.; m. 1801, Rhoda North, b. July 20, 1779, Berlin; d. May 3,  
 1835, Hinckley, O.

*Child:*

- Adelia, b. Dec. 11, 1808, Berlin; d. Jan. 9, 1894, Warsaw,



Ind.; m. Roswell Snow, b. Sept. 24, 1803, Pelham, Mass.; d. July 11, 1879, Elyria, O. *Child:*

Horace North Snow, b. July 1, 1843, Hinckley, O.; m. (1) Jan. 31, 1866, Hettie Ellen Bethel, b. June 2, 1846, Germanton, N. C.; d. July 5, 1882, Durham, N. C., dau. of Rev. Joshua Bethel and Eliza Carlton Geren; m. (2) Nov. 19, 1884, Wayne Co., N. C., Anna Exam, b. May 31, 1861, Wayne Co., N. C., dau. of William Jordan Exam and Mary Alston Burt. Corporal Co. I, 8th Ohio Vols., Aug. 10, 1861; disc. Jan. 1, 1863, "to enable him to enter the Military Telegraph Service." Served as such till 1866. Meth.. Prohib.-Rep., F. & A. M., mgr. of Foundry and Machine Works. Res. Durham, N. C. *Children:*

Olivia Adelia, b. Aug. 30, 1870; m. Jan. 18, 1893, James Monroe Hornaday, b. June 3, 1863, Chatham Co., N. C. Tobacco mfr. Res. Durham, N. C.

*Children:*

Hettie Bethel, b. Feb. 22, 1895.

James Munroe, b. Aug. 6, 1897.

Annie Snow, b. Sept. 11, 1900.

Jessie Logan, b. Jan. 4, 1878; d. Oct. 17, 1878.

Horace North, b. Mar. 16, 1886.

Richard Wright, b. May 28, 1891.

Beverly Carradine, b. Oct. 21, 1895.

Mary Exam, b. May 22, 1897.

22 Lyman<sup>7</sup> Wilcox (Josiah<sup>6</sup>, Daniel<sup>5</sup>, Samuel<sup>4</sup>, Israel<sup>3</sup>, John<sup>2</sup>, John<sup>1</sup>), b. Dec. 19, 1784; m. Lina Dickenson; b. 1787; d. 1858. He d. 1828, leaving a widow with seven children, the oldest being but 16. Her gold beads and silver spoons are owned by her great-granddaughter, Mrs. Lina Dickenson Lee, of New Britain, Conn.

*Children:*

Julia Ann, b. 1813; d. May 16, 1864; m. Levi R. Barnes.

Their descendants live in East Berlin and New Britain.

Lyman, b. 1819; d. Mar. 10, 1855; m. Maria Bulkeley, of Berlin.

*Children:*

Lyman, m. Addie Sperry.

Robert, m. Ella Wheeler, poetess.

Harriet Louisa, m. Leander Bunce; res. New Britain, Conn.

Sherman<sup>8</sup>, b. Nov. 14, 1820; d. June 26, 1903; m. Harriet

Friend Hall. *Child:*

30 Henry Edwin<sup>9</sup>, b. Mar. 1, 1844.

23 Benjamin<sup>7</sup> Wilcox (Samuel<sup>6</sup>, Daniel<sup>5</sup>, Samuel<sup>4</sup>, Israel<sup>3</sup>, John<sup>2</sup>, John<sup>1</sup>), b. June 27, 1782, "n. w. quarter," now East Berlin, Conn.; m. (1) Feb. 26, 1806, Betsy<sup>6</sup> Savage, b. June 25, 1787, d. Jan. 28, 1831, dau. of Selah<sup>5</sup> Savage, ensign at Battle of Bunker Hill (Elisha<sup>4</sup>, Lieut. in Rev. Army; William<sup>3</sup>, William<sup>2</sup>, John<sup>1</sup>) and Elizabeth Porter, b. Mar. 12, 1760, "n. w. quarter;" d. Apr. 19, 1805. He m. (2) Hepzibah Wilcox Galpin, and d. May 10, 1843. He and Shubael Patterson were the first to utilize the waters of the Mattabesett or Sebethe River for manufacturing purposes. They erected in what now is East Berlin a mill for spinning cotton yarn to be put out to women to be woven by them on hand looms. This property passed to the Roys and Wilcox Co., and then to Peck, Stow and Wilcox Co.

*Children by first marriage:*

- Eliza Porter, b. Jan. 17, 1808; d. Feb. 17, 1832; m. Dec. 18, 1831, Julius H. Dowd, b. 1800, son of Luther Dowd, of Madison, Conn.
- 29 Samuel Curtis, b. Dec. 11, 1811.  
Edward, b. Apr. 22, 1815; m. Sept. 28, 1838, Harriet M. Dowd; b. Oct. 3, 1815, sister to Julius H. Dowd. He remained on the ancestral farm, in business with his brother, deacon of Cong. Ch.; d. Aug. 13, 1862.

[PORTER LINEAGE—John<sup>1</sup> Porter was given land, 1639, in Windsor, Conn.

Samuel<sup>2</sup> Porter, b. 1625, in England; m. 1659, Hannah Stanley, dau. of Thomas Stanley. He rem. to Hadley, Mass., where he d. 1689.

Hezekiah<sup>3</sup> Porter, b. Jan. 7, 1665; d. 1752; m. May 20, 1686, Hannah Cowles, b. 1661, dau. of Samuel Cowles and Abigail Stanley.

David<sup>4</sup> Porter.

Capt. Samuel<sup>5</sup> Porter and wife were original members of the Berlin Cong. Ch.

Elizabeth<sup>6</sup> Porter, b. Mar. 12, 1760.

24 Ephraim<sup>7</sup> Wilcox (Lumon<sup>6</sup>), b. May 8, 1816, Westminster West, Vt.; d. June 29, 1871; m. Apr. 16, 1839, Harriet N., b. Jan. 1, 1820, d. Dec. 12, 1903, dau. of Calvin Jewett and Sally Parker. Excepting a year in Zanesville, O., and another in St. Johnsbury, Vt., his life was passed in Westminster West. Engaged in farming till Mar., 1856, when he bought the village store. Afterwards he remodeled the old Ephraim Ranney Tavern into a commodious

dwelling house and place of business, became a successful merchant, being much honored wherever known for his probity. Constable and tax collector and member of Legislature, and of Cong. Ch.

*Children born:*

Edwin Augustus, b. Feb. 2, 1840, Zanesville, O.; clerk in a store in Newbury, Vt., from 1855 to Apr., 1861; corp. 1st Vt. Reg. 3 mos.; Q. M. of 4th Reg., Ver. Inf.; disc. for disability Sept., 1862, from which he never regained his health. Went to Boston 1863; com. traveller to 1881; since then a selling agent for mills. Res. Somerville, Mass.

Calvin Lumon, b. Apr. 25, 1843; d. May 26, 1861.

Harriet Ellen, b. May 21, 1850, Westminster West. In 1872 with mother and brother rem. to Somerville. She was deeply interested in the compilation of this book, contributing all Wilcox data in the Westminster line. She d. Nov. 5, 1906.

25 Adelina<sup>7</sup> Diadama (Lumon<sup>6</sup>), b. Apr. 26, 1818, Westminster West, Vt.; d. July 31, 1884; m. May 8, 1839, George Campbell, son of Edward R. Campbell. For many years Mr. Campbell had a national reputation as an importer and breeder of choice merino sheep in Westminster and Texas. The Campbell homestead is a place noted, now as formerly, for its hospitality.

*Children:*

Edward Luman Campbell, b. Mar. 30, 1840; m. Lydia Ranney, dau. of Russell Ranney (see the Ranney Family).

Caroline C. Campbell, b. Aug. 16, 1844; d. Apr. 27, 1896; m. Oct. 14, 1867, Horace Hubbard, b. Nov. 25, 1843, d. Mar. 11, 1897, son of Dr. Calvin Hubbard, of Springfield, Vt. *Children:*

George Campbell Hubbard, b. July 29, 1874.

Bessie Adeline Hubbard, b. Aug. 19, 1875.

Fayette Elmore Hubbard, b. May 21, 1877.

Calvin Eugene Hubbard, b. June 7, 1880.

Mary Chamberlain Hubbard, b. Feb. 10, 1883.

Frederick Walker Campbell, b. —————; d. Sept. 8, 1848.

Frederick G. Campbell, b. Aug. 19, 1853; m. Oct. 13, 1875, Emma L. Harlow, b. July 15, 1854; succeeds his father in the homestead. Children, b. in Westminster West:

Harry Harlow, b. May 23, 1876.

Frank Walter, b. Sept. 26, 1877.

Helen Louise, b. Mar. 15, 1880; m. Dec. 20, 1899, John Piddock, d. in Mexico, 1900.

Mary Wardwell, b. Dec. 23, 1881.

George, b. Sept. 11, 1883.

Lena Morris, b. Mar. 21, 1887.

Edward Raymond, b. June 5, 1891.

Charles H. Campbell, b. May 8, 1857; m. Mar. 28, 1888,

Mary Lyon Wardwell, a granddaughter of Mrs. Eleazur Harlow, a Ranney. Owner of a large ranch and engaged in real estate and insurance business. Great Falls, Montana. *Child:*

George Henry, b. July 14, 1889.

26 Jane Jemina<sup>7</sup> Wilcox (sister of Adelina<sup>6</sup>), b. Nov. 28, 1822, Westminster West; m. Oct. 1, 1848, David Crowell Gorham, b. Mar. 9, 1818. Resides on the old Wilcox place, which has remained in the family.

*Children:*

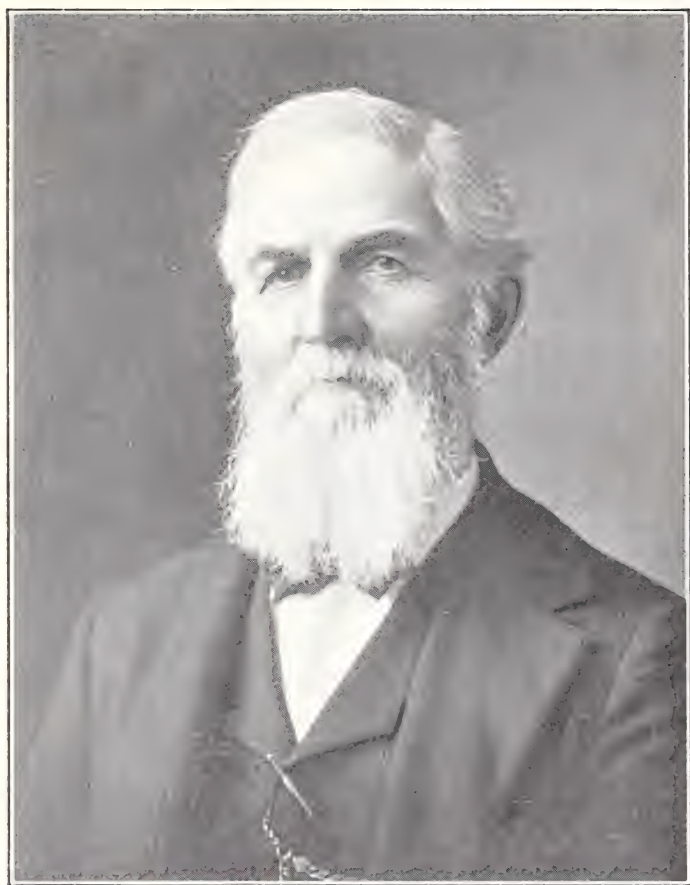
Susan Jane Gorham, b. Aug. 25, 1850.

Clara Ella, b. Oct. 4, 1854.

Henry Crowell, b. Oct. 11, 1858, manager and successor in the old homestead.

Edwin Edgar Gorham, b. June 23, 1860; teacher of vocal music in Boston, Mass.

27 Horace Cornwell Wilcox, b. Jan. 26, 1824, Westfield Society of Middletown. Lived on the farm till he was twenty years of age. Attended district school till he was eighteen. At twenty years of age began to peddle wares. In 1850 removed to Meriden and began to sell britannia ware for James Frary, then went into partnership with him and brother, Dennis C. Wilcox, under the firm name of H. C. Wilcox & Co. In 1852 the world-wide Meriden Britannia Company was organized and he was its president till his death. He was an original partner in the White & Wilcox Organ Co., and became interested in many public enterprises. He built the railroad from Meriden to Cromwell and by so connecting Meriden with the Connecticut River he reduced the price of coal seventy-five cents for each and every ton used by manufacturers and others in Meriden. Then he extended the road to Waterbury, constituting a road of twenty-eight miles in length, and so connected at Waterbury with the New England Railroad, making a line independent of the New York, New Haven & Hartford R. R. Co., and furnishing an independant outlet to the south and west for Meriden and Waterbury manufacturers. He financed the bonds of this road at heavy loss to himself. From a beginning of business on a capital of three



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*James Macdonald*

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borrowed dollars he became one of the most prosperous and successful business men in Connecticut, all owing to his indomitable energy. He was alderman, mayor and state senator. His son, George Horace, succeeded him in the presidency of the Meriden Britannia Company and is now the head of the International Silver Company and of many other prominent enterprises.

Horace Cromwell Wilcox m. (1) Aug. 9, 1849, Charlotte A. Smith, daughter of Jabez Smith of Middletown; m. (2) May 31, 1865, Ellen M. Parker of Meriden.

*Children by first marriage:*

Ella Augusta, m. William P. Morgan; res. San Francisco, Cal.  
Georgine.  
Walter.  
Allyn.

*Children by second marriage:*

George Horace.  
Dwight P., dead.  
Horace, dead.  
Florence Cornwell.

George Horace<sup>s</sup> Wilcox (Horace Cromwell<sup>r</sup>. Elisha Bacon<sup>6</sup>. Joseph<sup>5</sup>, John<sup>4</sup>, Ephraim<sup>3</sup>, John<sup>2</sup>, John<sup>1</sup>), b. Aug. 22, 1856, Meriden, Conn.; m. Jan. 23, 1884, New Britain, Conn., Nettie Barker Curtis, b. Aug. 26, 1860, Meriden, dau. of Lucius Webb Curtis and Olive Hotchkiss. Mfr., Cong., Rep. Pres. of many companies.

*Children:*

Harold Curtis, b. Jan. 7, 1889.  
Ray Cornwell, m. Dec. 24, 1891.  
Horace, b. Oct. 7, 1893.

28 Arthur<sup>s</sup> Boardman, b. Apr. 28, 1839, Westfield Society, Middletown; m. Aug. 21, 1862, Maria E. Paddock, b. Jan. 28, 1841, dau. of Seth J. Paddock and Lucinda Kenyon. Attended Mineral Spring Institute, Cromwell, learned the joiner's trade. The first to enlist from Cromwell in Rifle Co. A, 3d Conn. Reg., 3-months' Vols., Apr. 25, 1861—Aug. 12, 1861. On Aug. 11, 1862, enl. in Co. K, 20th Reg. Conn. Vols., for three years. Married ten days later, mustered out at Washington June 13, 1865, as 1st lieutenant. Rem. to Hartford, ret. 1868 to Cromwell. Has held many local offices, being now, as for many years, town clerk, town treasurer, treasurer of the Cromwell Dimes Saving Bank. Deacon, trustee. and liberal member of the Baptist Church.

*Children:*

Frank Crawford, b. Oct. 10, 1866, Hartford, Conn.; m. Jane Adams Elam of Tenn. Grad. Yale School of Fine Arts, studied in Paris. Holds prominent place among American artists. *Child:*

John Elam, b. July 29, 1906.

Charlotte Hall, b. May 11, 1869; d. June 21, 1875.

Arthur Howard, b. Oct. 15, 1870; m. Sept. 3, 1901, Edith T. Kjeldsen, b. 1880. Coal merchant, tax collector. Held prominent position in Republican local party. Only taxpayer to sue to compel the restoration to the town of money taken to pay personal bills.

May Wilcox, b. Dec. 9, 1875; m. June 4, 1896, Geo. W. Brewer, R. R. agent at Southbury, Conn. She grad. at Boston Conservatory of Music. *Children:*

Grace Anne, b. Aug. 22, 1897.

Howard George, b. Jan. 26, 1899.

Robert Donald, b. Sept. 9, 1902.

Edith May, b. Dec. 29, 1904.

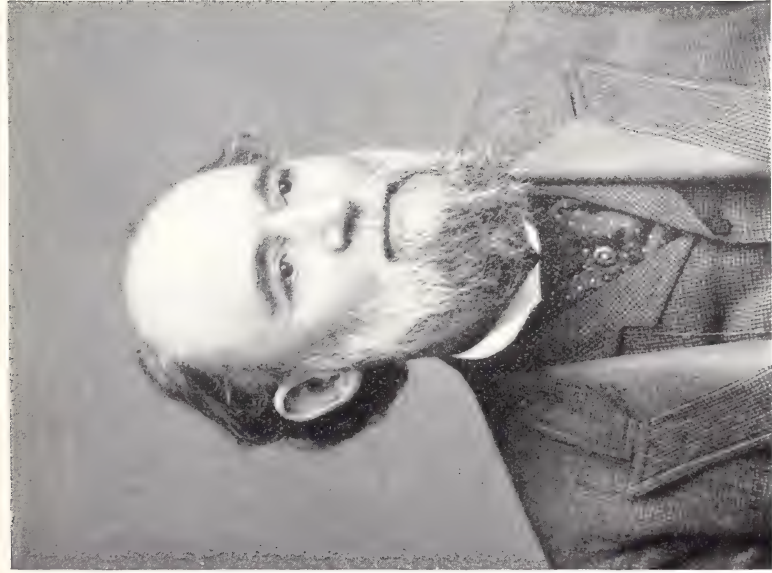
Wallace Selden, b. Dec. 9, 1875; grad. 1896, Suffield Literary Institute; grad. 1901, Wesleyan Uni.; grad. 1904, Rochester Theo. Sem. Licensed to preach, Sept., 1901, by Cromwell Bapt. Ch. Pastor of Baptist Ch., West Wardsboro, Vt.

29 Samuel Curtis<sup>8</sup> Wilcox (Benjamin<sup>7</sup>, Samuel<sup>6</sup>, Daniel<sup>5</sup>, Samuel<sup>4</sup>, Israel<sup>3</sup>, John<sup>2</sup>, John<sup>1</sup>), b. Dec. 11, 1811, East Berlin, Conn.; m. (1) July 20, 1836, Eliza Anne Parsons, b. Mar. 19, 1815; d. Jan. 20, 1845, dau. of Nathan Parsons, of Durham, Conn.; m. (2) June 7, 1846, Anna Scovell Peck, b. Mar. 15, 1827, d. Mar. 7, 1884, dau. of Norris Peck and Elizabeth Langdon, of Kensington Parish, Berlin, Conn.

Norris Peck, b. Dec. 9, 1795, a prominent farmer and citizen of Berlin, was a descendant of Deacon Paul Peck, supposed to have been born, 1622, in Co. Essex, England, and to have come to Boston, 1635, in the ship *Defense*. and to have removed, 1636, with Hooker to Hartford, his name being on the list of 1639 as a proprietor "by courtesie of the town." His house and farm was on the corner of Washington Street and Capital Avenue, about to be occupied by the new State Library and Supreme Court Building. He was surveyor of highways, townsman, chimney-viewer, deacon in the First Church, Apr., 1691; d. Dec. 23, 1695.

The Langdons were large landholders in what is now the town





*William Walter Wilcox,*



*William Walter Wilcox*

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SAMUEL CURTIS WILCOX



FRANK LANGDON WILCOX

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of Berlin, having in their possession a large tract of land now occupied by the New York, New Haven and Hartford Railroad Co., and by the extensive brick yards of the vicinity. They were prominent as patriots in the Revolutionary Army.

Samuel Curtis Wilcox was reared on the farm, attended school at Ballston Spa, N. Y., taught school for several years. He returned to Berlin to engage in mercantile pursuits. Establishing a general store in Berlin, he traveled South by team, and established a similar store at Washington, N. C., conducting these for many years. He then established a tinware manufactory in company with two others under the name of Carpenter, Lamb & Wilcox. It was one of the first tinware factories in the United States, and started with thirty hands. In 1845 Mr. Wilcox established at East Berlin a small manufactory for tinmen's tools and machines, from which nucleus there came the firm so widely known as the Peck, Stow & Wilcox Co. The latter was established in 1870, by the consolidation of eight similar factories, seven in Connecticut, and one in Cleveland, O., and employs several thousand hands, with a capital of \$1,500,000. Mr. Wilcox was vice-president till his death.

When the Corrugated Metal Co. of East Berlin was in financial straits Mr. Wilcox came to its rescue. Through his advice, bridge construction was added to its scope and thus in 1871 the Berlin Iron Bridge Company was born, with Mr. Wilcox as its president. To the new enterprise he applied his masterly business abilities with a phenomenal success. He remained its efficient and directing executive till his death. The Berlin Iron Bridge Co. was ever a growing and progressive corporation, and sent its iron bridges and buildings all over the United States, as well as into foreign lands.

Mr. Wilcox was a stockholder and director of many enterprises. In politics he was a Democrat. For its substantial growth and development Berlin owes much to him. He was an accurate judge of human nature, and wisely chose his lieutenants. Kind in disposition, he was at the same time a man of strong convictions, to which he was ever true. His business foresight was one of his most valuable qualities, and back of it lay an energy which carried his enterprises on to success.

*Children by first marriage:*

Laura Parsons, b. Mar. 17, 1837; d. Dec. 28, 1866.

Julia Eliza, b. Sept. 1, 1838; d. Apr. 2, 1852.

Catherine Parsons, b. Dec. 18, 1842; d. May 17, 1843.

Samuel Parsons, b. Aug. 24, 1844; d. Aug. 20, 1846.

*Children by second marriage:*

- Samuel Howard, b. Apr. 23, 1848.  
 Clarence Peck, b. Mar. 18, 1850; d. June 15, 1852.  
 Anna Peck, b. Dec. 2, 1853; d. Dec. 15, 1856.  
 Amos Peck, b. Dec. 2, 1853; d. Dec. 30, 1853.  
 Edward Henry, b. Sept. 22, 1856; d. Jan. 24, 1865.  
 31 Frank Langdon, b. Jan. 6, 1859.  
 Elizabeth Peck, b. Mar. 8, 1861.  
 Victor Peck, b. May 27, 1866; d. May 28, 1867.

30 Henry Edwin<sup>9</sup> Wilcox (Sherman<sup>8</sup>, Lyman<sup>7</sup>), b. Mar. 1, 1844; m. Apr. 15, 1869, Esther Coe Birdsey, b. June 14, 1848. (See Kirby-Sage Chapters.) He worked with his father at the forge, then engaged in farming. In 1892 rem. to Middletown, in 1904 to Bristol, Conn.

*Children:*

Henry Birdsey, b. Sept. 1, 1870, Meriden, Conn.; m. Sept. 28, 1896, Elizabeth Pemberton Wallace. Res. Bristol.

*Child:*

Ruth Elizabeth, b. Mar. 17, 1899.  
 Marion Elizabeth, b. Dec. 25, 1871, Middlefield, Conn.; m. June 18, 1896, Rev. William Munroe Newton, grad. Wesleyan Univ.; presiding elder Vermont Conf., M. E. Church. Res. So. Royalton, Ver. *Children:*

Dean William, b. Oct. 21, 1898.  
 Elizabeth Marion, b. Jan. 7, 1903.  
 Lina Dickenson, b. Feb. 5, 1875, Middlefield, Conn.; m. Oct. 30, 1899, Charles Webster Lee; res. New Britain, Conn.

31 Frank Langdon<sup>9</sup> Wilcox (Samuel Curtis<sup>8</sup>, Benjamin<sup>7</sup>, Samuel<sup>6</sup>, Daniel<sup>5</sup>, Samuel<sup>4</sup>, Israel<sup>3</sup>, John<sup>2</sup>, John<sup>1</sup>), b. Jan. 6, 1859, Berlin, Conn.; m. Jan. 19, 1898, Harriet Churchill Webster, b. Mar. 20 1870, in Berlin, Conn., dau. of Deacon Charles Selah Webster and Julia Sophia Higgins. Res. Berlin, Conn.



Mr. Wilcox was educated with the view of taking up, in a measure, his father's tasks, and his life for twenty years has been in the direction designed. He attended the Berlin Academy until

he was twelve years of age, when he entered St. Paul's School, Concord, N. H., where he was grad. in 1876, after five years in its preparatory course. He then entered Trinity College, Hartford, where he was grad. in 1880, entering the shops of the Peck, Stow & Wilcox Company, at Kensington, Berlin, he became their manager in 1885, continuing in that capacity until the consolidation of the Kensington factory, with the other factories of the company, four years later. He then became associated with the Berlin Iron Bridge Company as its treasurer, which responsible position he held until the company was absorbed by the American Bridge Co., on May 12, 1900. He is also interested in and identified with many business interests in Hartford county; vice-president of the Peck, Stow & Wilcox Co.; director of Phoenix Mutual Life Insurance Co. of Hartford; Phoenix National Bank, of Hartford; New Britain Mechanics National Bank, of New Britain; of the Berlin Savings Bank, of Berlin; secretary and treasurer of the Middletown & Portland Bridge Co. Is pres. of Fidelity Trust Co. of Hartford.

In politics Mr. Wilcox is a staunch Republican. He represented the town in the State Legislature in 1893, serving as clerk of the Judiciary Committee. In 1903 he was a member of the State Senate, representing the Second District; was chosen chairman of Committee on Senatorial Districts, Expositions and Rivers, Roads and Bridges. Was of the Connecticut Commission to the Louisiana Purchase Exposition. Is president of Trinity College Alumni Association and Athletic Association and a benefactor of the College Athletic Club; a member of St. Elmo Commandery, Knights Templar, Meriden, Conn.; of Delta Psi College fraternity; of Engineers Club of New York; Judge Advocate on 1st Company Governor's Foot Guard, and of several social clubs. He is also a member of the Advisory Committee of the Connecticut Commission to the Jamestown Exposition, and is President of the Society of Middletown Upper Houses, being descended from six of the founders of the Upper Houses. He is superintendent of the Congregational Sunday School of Berlin. While at one time Berlin had twenty-five voters bearing the name of Wilcox, he at present is the only Wilcox voter in the town. The Wilcox tribe covers all the land to-day.

*Children:*

Margaret Webster, b. Feb. 15, 1902.

Samuel Churchill, b. Nov. 29, 1904.

## THE WILLIAMS FAMILY.

1 Thomas<sup>1</sup> Williams as early as 1661 received a grant of land in the Stepney part of Wethersfield, it being on the Connecticut River, near the "Landing," and he had as an adjacent neighbor, Joseph Smith, who for a few years had resided in the Upper Houses, and then returned to Stepney.

2 Capt. Jacob<sup>2</sup> Williams, b. Mar. 7, 1665; d. Sept. 26, 1712; m. Dec. 10, 1685, Sarah Gilbert, b. Dec. 1, 1661, dau. of Josiah and Elizabeth (————) Gilbert. He was a fence viewer in 1688, and a sea captain.

3 Ephraim<sup>3</sup> Williams (Capt. Jacob<sup>2</sup>), b. Jan. 10, 1691; d. July 23, 1761; m. Feb. 24, 1715, Elizabeth Russell, b. May 12, 1695, d. Oct. 11, 1766, dau. of Sergeant John<sup>3</sup> Russell (Philip<sup>2</sup>, John<sup>1</sup>) and Martha Grave. Hayward in 1711; large merchant. His account books, 1748-1761, show that he was extensively engaged in shipping "onyons" from Stepney to New York City, and in importing "sea coal" and other West Indies products. He lived in Wethersfield proper.

4 Stephen<sup>3</sup> Williams (Capt. Jacob<sup>2</sup>), b. Mar. 19, 1693; d. Jan. 17, 1747; m. before 1719, Abigail Butler. On Jan. 12, 1749, Jehiel, a minor son, 15 years of age, chose his uncle Jacob to be his guardian.

### *Child:*

6 Jehiel<sup>4</sup>, b. abt. 1734.

5 Capt. Elias<sup>4</sup> Williams (Ephraim<sup>3</sup>), b. 1718; m. Prudence Robbins, great-granddau. of Esq. John<sup>1</sup> Robbins. She d. Jan. 12, 1799, in the 77th year of her age. There were eleven children borne to them. Capt. Elias, abt. 1750, removed to the Stepney Society (Rocky Hill), of Wethersfield. Before and during the Rev. War he was a man of much prominence, being one of the wealthiest citizens of the town, and part owner of the schooner *Industry*. In May, 1769, he was app. Lieut. of 9th Co., 6th Regt. of Militia; Capt. in May, 1772. At a meeting held June 17, 1774, he was app. on a com. of seven to receive and send to Boston contributions for the relief of those distressed by the operation of the Boston Port Bill, and at a meeting held Dec. 12, 1774, to approve

the articles of association adopted by the Continental Congress, he was one of thirteen to exercise surveillance over suspected citizens. He was a justice of the peace, 1778-79. In June, 1778, while in camp at White Plains, he gave freedom to his negro slave, Cæsar Freeman, on condition of his serving in the army. The *Connecticut Courant* of Dec. 17, 1798, said of him:

"Died at Wethersfield (Rocky Hill) on the 5th inst. Capt. Elias Williams, in the 81st year of his age. A widow, six children, and fifty-four grandchildren and great-grandchildren are left to bemoan their loss. The funeral was attended on Friday last, when a large concourse of neighbors and acquaintances by their solemnity and affection testified their respect and esteem. His extensive beneficence and private virtues have long since entitled him to the character of a useful citizen and a good man."

5a Rev. Joshua<sup>5</sup> Williams (Capt. Elias<sup>4</sup>), b. Feb. 3, 1761; m. Oct. 24, 1781, Mary Webb, b. Sept. 2, 1760, dau. of David Webb and Mary Williams. He grad. 1780, Yale; licensed Oct., 1782, by the Hartford South Association, to preach as a candidate. Invited to settle in Southampton, Long Island, where he was ordained and instituted May 25, 1785. His salary was £70 a year, and forty cords of wood to be delivered at his door yearly; resigned Apr. 1, 1789. The history of that place states that he received four hundred and eighty-six members into the church. He was installed in Harwinton Ch., Litchfield Co., Conn., Mar. 3, 1790. The present church was erected in 1808 at a cost of \$8,000. He left a memorandum stating that for seven years his salary of \$350 was sufficient, but that then the expense of living was nearly doubled. In Nov. of 1820, worn down by the labors of a revival, he was attacked by a disease which confined him 77 days in the house; he petitioned for a release, and in May, 1822, the people gave him \$1,000, and he was dismissed in June, 1822. He rem. to Bethlehem to pass the remainder of his days with his youngest son, "but Providence ordained otherwise." This son died Sept. 28, 1831, aged 31, having grad. at Yale, and practiced medicine. He ret. to Harwinton and interested himself in temperance work, but very soon rem. to the Upper Houses "to enjoy the affection of my oldest son in my old age, but here again I was disappointed after twenty months. He was called from his labor and his oldest child, in Yale, aged 17, died and was interred in the one grave Jan. 1, 1833. In 1830 the husband of my youngest daughter, Dr. Conant Catlin, died and was interred in Bethlehem. I have had 24 grandchildren and 17 great-grandchildren." He was a delegate June 10, 1809, to assist in ordaining his son, the pastor at the Upper Houses, whom he survived for several years, and continued his residence here.

Rev. Noah Porter, of Farmington, wrote an obituary notice which was published in the *Connecticut Observer*, March 5, 1836. Describing his personal appearance he says:

"Of a statue not above the medium he was in neither body or mind, but in both agile.

"Confessedly a man not perfect in piety, his religion was sincere and like his temperament, ardent.

"As a minister of Christ, both in South Hampton and in Harwinton, he had been wise to win souls. Though not distinguished either as a scholar or an orator, he was more than either, for he was a good man and full of faith and of the Holy Ghost and much people were added to the Lord."

The Harwinton church record for Feb. 7, 1815 contains this entry: "conversed on the subject of a monthly prayer meeting for missions." He remarked to a grandson that he with the neighboring ministers were about the first in the world to set up and establish the monthly concert of prayer for missions.

The tombstone bears this inscription

*Rev. Joshua Williams*

*died*

*Feb. 8, 1836,*

*Ae 75*

*Mary Williams*

*died May 16, 1838*

*Ae 77*

*Children:*

5b Orinda, b. Feb. 25, 1783; m. Abijah Catlin.

5c Joshua Lewis, b. Jan. 21, 1785.

Mary, b. Sept. 3, 1786.

William, b. Oct. 6, 1788.

Prudence, b. Dec. 15, 1790.

Harriet, b. Oct. 2, 1792.

Elias, b. Sept. 16, 1797.

5b Orinda<sup>6</sup> Williams (Rev. Joshua<sup>5</sup>), b. Feb. 25, 1783; m. Feb. 6, 1799, Abijah Catlin, b. Feb. 6, 1799; she d. Nov. 18, 1860.

*Children:*

Harriet, b. July 4, 1801.

Adeline, b. Mar. 28, 1803.

Abijah, b. Apr. 1, 1805; grad. 1825, Yale.

David Webb, b. Dec. 22, 1806.





MONUMENT TO REV. ZEBULON CROCKER  
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*Joshua L. Williams*

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Orinda, b. Mar. 6, 1809.

Julia, b. Feb. 14, 1811.

5d Caroline, b. Nov. 19, 1815; m. Oct. 9, 1839, Anson Hungerford.

Huldah Ann, b. Nov. 11, 1817; m. Gen. Joseph Newman of Ohio.

5c Rev. Joshua Lewis<sup>6</sup> Williams (Rev. Joshua), b. Jan. 21, 1785, Wethersfield, Conn.; m. Nov. 30, 1813, Catherine Mix, b. Dec. 1, 1787, Farmington, Conn. Grad. 1805, Yale. He was ordained and instituted pastor of the Congregational ch. in the Upper Houses, June 10, 1809; organized the "Friendly Association," was its first president, and active in its support through his life. He was spoken of locally as "priest Williams." In 1825 he was scribe at Litchfield, of the General Association of Connecticut. He owned the house built by the Rev. Gershom Bulkeley, now known as the "Joseph Edwards" House. He d. Dec. 29, 1832. His son at Yale died the next day and both were buried in the same grave, according to a written statement of the Rev. Joshua L. Williams made at this time. They have however separate headstones. The widow d. Oct. 23, 1863.

*Children:*

John Mix, b. May 6, 1816; d. Dec. 30, 1832, while student at Yale.

Joshua, b. May 28, 1820; d. Aug. 22, 1845.

Elizabeth Ann<sup>7</sup>, b. Mar. 14, 1824; d. Apr. 29, 1854; m. June 3, 1845, Rev. S. S. Thomson of Crawfordsville, Ind., who d. 1885, having been for forty years professor of Latin in Wabash College, Crawfordsville. *Child:*

Katherine Williams<sup>8</sup>, b. Dec. 28, 1848, Crawfordsville, Ind.; m. Dec. 28, 1869, Theodore Harmon Restine, b. Jan. 8, 1845, Crawfordsville; Presby., G. A. R., professor in Wabash College. Res. Crawfordsville. *Children:*

Elizabeth Williams<sup>9</sup>, b. Apr. 8, 1872; m. Sept. 6, 1898, William Edgar Olive. Res. Brookings, S. D. *Children:*

Theodore Ristine<sup>10</sup>, b. Sept. 19, 1901.

Martin Lawrence, b. June 18, 1907.

Harley Thomson<sup>9</sup>, b. Apr. 8, 1882; unm.; lawyer. Res. Crawfordsville, Ind.

Frank Humphrey, b. Apr. 11, 1884; student Columbia University.

Catherine Hooker, b. July 26, 1826; d. Oct. 4, 1901; m. Sept.

1, 1846, John Deming of Farmington, Conn. *Children:*  
 Harry Deming, Brooklyn, N. Y.  
 Elizabeth T. Deming, Brooklyn, N. Y.  
 Edward Deming, Farmington, Conn.  
 Mrs. T. R. Ennis, Hoboken, N. J.

5d Caroline Catlin (Orinda Williams), b. Nov. 19, 1815; m. Oct. 9, 1839, Anson Hungerford, who resided in Monticello, Ga., and Hartford, Conn., where he died.

*Children:*

Caroline Medora, b. Jan. 17, 1843; d. Mar. 25, 1843, Monticello, Ga.  
 Clarence Catlin, b. Oct. 2, 1844, Harwinton, Conn.; d. May 2, 1899, Hartford, Conn.  
 Newman, b. May 14, 1849, Monticello, Ga.; m. Dec. 7, 1892, Hartford, Conn., Helen Dotha Wilson; b. June 4, 1863, Harwinton, Conn.; d. Sept. 4, 1898, Hartford, Conn.; res. Hartford, Conn.  
 Florence Ann, b. Dec. 12, 1850; d. Mar. 31, 1851.

6 Jehiel<sup>4</sup> Williams (Stephen<sup>3</sup>), b. abt. 1734, Wethersfield, Conn.; m. Jan. 16, 1757, Anna Edwards, bapt. 1735, dau. of David Edwards and Mary Butler. He was a resident of Wethersfield, May 1, 1761, when he sold part of his paternal estate to Gershom Bulkeley, and on Nov. 4, 1762, he was "then of Middletown" selling other parts of his paternal estate to Gershom Bulkeley. He purchased land in Upper Houses, and built thereon the house now owned and occupied by Deacon George W. Stevens. He d. June 12, 1810. She d. Nov. 18, 1810. Of their

*Children:*

Stephen, b. 1758, Wethersfield; m. Feb. 18, 1780, Elizabeth Churchill. He d. May 18, 1781, falling into the hold of a brig. She m. (2) Dec. 25, 1783, Joseph Riley (see the Riley Family).  
 7 John, b. 1759-60, Wethersfield.  
 Anna, bapt. Sept. 19, 1762; m. June 27, 1788, Solomon Sage (see the Sage Family).

7 John<sup>5</sup> Williams (Jehiel<sup>4</sup>), b. abt. ———, Wethersfield, Conn.; m. May 6, 1787, Jerusha Stow, dau. of Jonathan Stow and Abiah Sage (see the Stow Family). He built the house known later as the Oliver Smith house on Pleasant Street, sold it, and

built on the lot deeded to him by his father-in-law, Jonathan Stow. This gambrel-roofed house is seen in the "View of Middletown," 1835, in this volume, and stood where the present A. N. Pierson house stands. M. 1795. He d. Mar. 11, 1812. She d. July 12, 1810.

*Children:*

Joseph, bapt. June 21, 1787; m. Sally Stocking. Dau. Sarah m. John N. Camp. Their dau. m. Prof. E. H. Sneath of Yale University.

William, bapt. Aug. 29, 1790; d. Mar. 29, 1873; m. Oct. 14, 1824, Caroline<sup>9</sup> Kirby (Elisha<sup>5</sup>, Jonathan<sup>4</sup>, John<sup>3</sup>, Joseph<sup>2</sup>, John<sup>1</sup>), b. Aug. 9, 1801.



Upper Houses; d. Oct. 31, 1838. A prominent business man, doing much business in the drawing of legal papers, and served as clerk of the church. *Children:*

- 8 Martha Spencer, b. May 18, 1827; m. Isaac H. Warner. Henry Martyn, b. Aug. 5, 1829; d. Nov. 8, 1830. Henry M., b. Aug. 29, 1831; d. Aug. 18, 1858.
- 9 Charles Keyes, b. Nov. 19, 1833. Mary Elizabeth, b. Dec. 17, 1835; d. Mar. 12, 1849.
- 10 John Keyes, b. Sept. 18, 1837.

8 Martha Spencer Williams, b. May 18, 1827; d. Dec. 29, 1867; m. Sept. 12, 1850, Isaac H. Warner, mfr. of hammers in West Cromwell, who d. Dec. 19, 1884.

*Children:*

Mary Elizabeth, b. Aug. 9, 1851; m. Jan. 23, 1882, Jonathan Brooks, Asst. Paymaster U. S. N. Res. Indian Head Proving Station, Md. *Children:*

Marion Alice, b. Dec. 25, 1882.

Ruth Warner, b. Dec. 25, 1887.

Caroline M., b. Jan. 4, 1853; d. Jan. 1, 1868.

Herbert Isaac, b. Sept. 20, 1861; d. Jan. 4, 1868.

9 Charles Keyes Williams, b. Nov. 19, 1833. Served in First Conn. H. A., May 22, 1861—May 21, 1864. Res. Middletown, Conn.

10 John Keyes Williams, b. Sept. 18, 1837; m. Oct. 3, 1864, Abigail<sup>9</sup> White, b. July 28, 1840, Chatham, now Portland (Evelyn<sup>8</sup>, David<sup>7</sup>, David<sup>6</sup>, Ebenezer<sup>5</sup>, Joseph<sup>4</sup>, Daniel<sup>3</sup>, Nathaniel<sup>2</sup>,

John<sup>1</sup>). Druggist. Bd. of School Visitors of Hartford, Conn. First Lieut. Co. B, 22d Reg. Conn. Vol. Inf.; Capt. Co. H, same regiment, till regiment was mustered out July 7, 1863. City Clerk of Hartford, 1864-66. Capt. of Battery D, Conn. Nat. Guard, 1863-69; adjutant of First Reg. C. N. G., 1879-84. Res. Hartford, Conn.

*Children:*

Clara Louise, b. Oct. 21, 1866; artist, unm. Res. Hartford, Conn.

Henry White, b. Aug. 1, 1868.

*APPENDIX*





## APPENDIX

### WILLIAM FRANCIS JOSEPH BOARDMAN

(See page 605.)

William Francis Joseph Boardman, of Hartford, Conn., was the son of William Boardman and Mary Francis, and was born in Wethersfield, Conn., December 12, 1828, in the ancestral home of the family where his father then lived, located on Broad Street in that town. It was an ideal New England home, pleasantly situated amid beautiful surroundings, well provided with the comforts of that day and filled with the good influences of education, morals, and religion. On the farm there was always work for the boy and his amusements were few—only an occasional turn at “old cat,” wicket, foot ball, checkers or some other of the boyhood sports of those days, and fishing in the river when it rained too hard for out-door work. The holidays of the time, Thanksgiving, Fourth of July, and Election Day, were improved to the utmost; but they were “few and far between,” and the Sundays, that were observed with Puritan strictness, seemed to be very frequent. This boy of the Boardman home attended with regularity the schools of the town, finally graduating from the Academy in the spring of 1846 at the age of seventeen. He then entered the Coffee and Spice Manufactory of his father in Wethersfield to assist him and become familiar in detail with the business. During the next four years he was the “man of all work” in the establishment,—book-keeper, coffee roaster and packer, traveling salesman, etc., and he then received under the guidance of his father a thorough business training and formed many acquaintances that were of great value to him in after life.

This increasing business required more improved facilities and larger accommodations for its successful prosecution, and early in 1850 it was removed to Hartford, Mr. Boardman being then admitted into partnership with his father under the firm name of William Boardman & Son. He then removed his residence to Hartford, May 15, 1850, boarding with Mrs. Silloway, corner of Windsor and Pleasant Streets. From that time the responsibility in the business, which is more fully referred to in the sketch of William Boardman, the head of the firm, began to fall more and more upon the son, and thereafter for many years he devoted to

it his entire energy. Opportunities that opened to him in other directions were declined that nothing might divert his attention and impair the value of his services in the business. In 1853, still more room being needed, the manufactory was removed from No. 12 Central Row, where it had first located, to what is now No. 241 State Street, and at this time Mr. Boardman's younger brother, Thomas Jefferson Boardman, was admitted to the partnership and the firm name became William Boardman & Sons. The ambition, energy, and diligence of the younger members of the firm, wisely directed by the father, were rewarded with success. In 1858, two stories in an adjoining building were leased, and teas were added to the stock in trade. In 1867 the business was removed to No. 205 State Street, the old store and storehouse being retained for the manufacturing and storage of goods. These quarters proved to be too limited and in 1871 the firm erected for the use of the business the brown stone building, Nos. 298-306 Asylum Street, known as the Boardman Building.

Throughout all these years, during which a small enterprise was developed into a large manufacturing establishment, Mr. Boardman devoted himself with the closest application to the business of the firm. He was permitted to see it successful and widely known throughout the country. But the labor and care finally proved too much for his strength and his health became seriously impaired. He sought rest, at length going abroad in the hope of being benefited by travel and change. The result was not entirely satisfactory, and Mr. Boardman after the death of his father concluded to abandon all business activity. He therefore sold to his brother, and the latter's son, his interest in the firm with which he had been connected so long, and, July 9, 1888, retired from the business which had received his best service for forty-two years.

Mr. Boardman was actively associated, during his business career, in the promotion and establishment of many enterprises. In many of these his father or the firm were also interested and they are named in the sketch of its senior member. Much of the responsibility and labor, however, fell upon the son, and he gave freely of his time and thought to such matters. In the construction of several buildings that were erected by the firm the superintendence of the work devolved upon him. These were the Boardman Building in 1871, the Agard Building, Nos. 285-293 Asylum Street in 1876, and the Lawrence Building, Nos. 87-94 State Street in 1879. Under his supervision also the residence of his son, Mr. William Greenleaf Boardman, No. 10 Marshall Street (formerly No. 2), was built. In 1861 he was chosen a director of the State Bank of Hartford, serving in that capacity during

the Civil War with conscientious devotion to its interests. In this bank William Boardman and Son opened an account in May, 1850, and this relationship of the firm has been continued to the present time.

In 1863 Mr. Boardman was elected a member of the Court of Common Council of Hartford from the old Third Ward, and was a member of the committee on highways and chairman of the committee on the horse railroad, then in process of construction. He never sought political office or favor, though he has had a lifelong affiliation with the democratic party, those commonly known as "gold democrats." Other concerns engaged his time and attention during the active period of his business life. He dealt largely in real estate and assisted several young men to establish themselves in business. He has served on commissions, settled estates, and withal maintained an interest as a citizen in the welfare of the community in which he has lived.

The excessive cares of Mr. Boardman's business life led him to seek diversion in the study of family history. In 1882 he began to gather information from various sources on the Boardman family. This work, after the expenditure of much time and money in collecting records and original investigation at home and abroad, resulted in 1895 in his publication of the "Boardman Genealogy 1525-1895," a work of nearly 800 pages, which is believed to be as complete as any in the field of family history. The entire expense of the necessary investigation for this volume and the cost of publication, Mr. Boardman assumed, believing that the family was worthy of such a memorial. He has also published the "Francis-Goodrich-Boardman Genealogy" in his own line of ancestry, a "Memorial of Mary Francis and William Boardman," and a "Complete Record of the Wethersfield Inscriptions in the Five Burial Places in that Ancient Town." He gave valuable assistance in "a very large proportion of the illustrations," in historical material and means towards the publication of Stiles's "History of Wethersfield," in which town as the ancestral home of his family he has an abiding interest. In his collection of books and manuscripts, antique furniture, curios, paintings, and pictures may be found much that is of great value in the history of the Boardman family and the town in which so many of them lived. In 1906 he issued "The Ancestry of William Francis Boardman" and "The Ancestry of Jane Maria Greenleaf."

Mr. Boardman was one of the original members of the Putnam Phalanx at its organization in 1859 and still retains his connection with this well known military battalion. His studies have developed a deep interest in historical societies. He is a life member

of the Connecticut Historical Society, a life member of the New England Historic Genealogical Society, a member of the Topsfield Historical Society and the Ipswich Historical Society. He is also a member of several patriotic orders—the Sons of the American Revolution, the Sons of the Revolution, and the Connecticut Society of the Order of the Founders and Patriots of America, being one of the original members of the latter at its organization, May 9, 1896, and chosen one of its councillors, and later elected Genealogist of the Society. Mr. Boardman is a life member of the Wethersfield Society Library, and was deeply interested in the erection of a monument in that town to the memory of Samuel Boreman and his descendants. He is a member of the Connecticut Humane Society and is a liberal contributor to other philanthropic and benevolent causes.

After Mr. Boardman's marriage he resided for a year in Phelps' Block, No. 279 North Main Street. In 1853 he removed to No. 27 John Street, where he lived two years and his son, William Greenleaf Boardman, was born. He next resided for a similar period at No. 44 Pleasant Street, and removed thence in 1857 to No. 14 Linden Place which was formerly the home of his wife's mother. In 1859, the Boardman home having been erected, he removed thither to live next door to his father at No. 34 Buckingham Street. He took up his residence at No. 74 (formerly No. 16) Farmington Avenue April 1, 1866, where he has since had his home. (From "Boardman Ancestry.")

## RANNEY ADDENDA

Col. Reuben<sup>5</sup> Ranney settled in Claverack, N. Y., where he m. Catherine Sharp. He was a builder and contractor, erecting the court house and other public buildings in Hudson, and a gray stone house for himself in Claverack, where he died in 1844.

### *Children:*

Edward, unm., d. in Philadelphia.

Catherine<sup>6</sup>, m. Reuben Andrews.

Reuben<sup>7</sup> Andrews, b. —; m. —, and built the Greylock mills at North Adams, Mass.

Daughter<sup>8</sup>; m. Cyrus W. Fields, Jr.

Catherine<sup>7</sup> Andrews, b. —; m. Luman S. Drown.

Mabel<sup>8</sup> Drown, res. Northampton, Mass.

Harriet<sup>6</sup>, m. (1) Lawrence Teal; (2) Thomas Rhodes.

Thomas Edward<sup>7</sup> Rhodes, res. Lynn, Mass.

Charlotte Eliza<sup>6</sup>, m. (1) Stephen Allen; (2) ——— Algey; rem. to New Albany, Ohio.

Abigail<sup>6</sup>, m. (1) Stephen Ranney, her cousin; (2) Leonard Winslow of Hudson, N. Y. *Children:*

Charlotte Eliza<sup>7</sup> Ranney, m. William Marshall. *Children:* Cora, Caroline, Ella.

Catherine<sup>7</sup>, m. Henry Fellows.

Mary<sup>7</sup>, ———.

Egbert<sup>7</sup> Winslow, widow, res. Hudson, N. Y.

Warren<sup>7</sup> Winslow, died in Civil War.

Catherine<sup>7</sup> Ranney (Abigail, Col. Reuben), b. Nov. 28, 1820, in Claverack, in her grandfather's gray stone house; m. Aug. 23, 1841, Hudson, N. Y., by Rev. M. Raynard, Henry Fellows, b. Dec. 18, 1816; d. Oct. 3, 1892, Copake, N. Y. Widow res. in Tampa, Fla.

### *Children:*

Abbie Ranney Fellows, b. Dec. 24, 1843; m. Oct. 31, 1866.

Hudson, N. Y. Rev. Franklin M. Sprague, pastor emeritus of the 1st Cong. Ch., Tampa, Fla., grad. 1867, Yale. *Child:*

Emma Merriam Sprague, b. June 15, 1872; m. June 17, 1896, Springfield, Mass., Rev. George Morgan Ward, formerly Pres. of Rollins College, Winton Park, Fla., now Pres. of Wells College, N. Y.

Henry Parker Fellows, b. Aug. 4, 1849, Hudson, N. Y., grad. Rutgers, Lawyer Carney Building, Boston, Mass.

Page 214. Joel Ranney, Sr., and Joel Ranney, Jr., as stated in the obituary of Joel Ranney, Jr., by his son, Dr. S. W., written in 1877, went to Berkshire Co., Mass., about 1812, then rem. to Ohio in the winter of 1817, locating in Plain Township, Franklin Co., near what is now New Albany. Joel, Jr., returned to Chatham, Conn., but in 1828 went again to Ohio, bought a farm of David Pugh, erected a cabin, cut away a few of the larger trees and made a "slashing," then returned to Chatham, Conn., where for eighteen months he worked in the quarries, then returned to Ohio and remained on his farm till death. "He had five sisters and four brothers. He was a firm believer in the salvation of all men. For forty years his house was a home for the preachers of that section."

Page 274 (365a). Sylvester William Ranney, b. Mar. 7, 1830, New Albany, Franklin Co., O., J. Apr. 13, 1897, New Albany; m. May 10, 1857, New Albany, Mary Elizabeth Campbell, b. Aug. 30, 1832, Plain Township, Franklin Co., O.; d. Dec. 13, 1885, New Albany; dau. of George and Susan A. Campbell, grad. 1856, Starling Med. Coll., Columbus, O.; practiced medicine till his death. Surgeon 133d Ohio Vols., 1864. Rep., Meth., F. A. M., I. O. O. F.

*Child:*

Boivin, b. Aug. 22, 1858; m. Mar. 6, 1878, New Albany, Cordelia Strait, dau. of Dennis B. Strait and Ann Farber.

Real estate agent. Res. Columbus, O. *Children:*

Jesse Fred, b. Jan. 28, 1879; m. Sept. 3, 1905, Covington, Ky., Pauline Marie Quandt, b. Oct. 28, 1882, Galion, O. Private 4th O. V. I. June 20, 1898-Jan. 20, 1899, in Spanish-American War. Rep. mem. O. N. G. Res. Columbus, O.

William Strait, b. Sept. 21, 1883, unm.

Boivin Clark, b. Jan. 9, 1888.

Page 364. Sarah Maria Ranney m. Dec. 18, 1867, John R. Criss; no children. Res. South Frankfort, Mich.

Carrie May Ranney m. Oct. 24, 1877, William Henry Evans, b. Sept. 18, 1848, New Hartford, N. Y., son of Edward Evans and Mary ———, formerly of Newtonen, Montgomeryshire, Wales. Prominent in banking business, Akron, O.

*Children:*

William Henry Evans, b. Aug. 8, 1878; m. Aug. 26, 1901,

Flora J. Goodwin, b. Sept. 19, 1878. Banker. Res. Akron, O. *Children:*

- Robert William, b. June 19, 1904.  
 Maurice Goodwin, b. Mar. 24, 1906.  
 Lida L. Evans, b. Mar. 30, 1881; m. May 30, 1900, Adelbert  
 S. Viers, b. July 21, 1878.  
 Ethel Evans, b. Oct. 17, 1888; student at Oberlin College  
 Conservatory of Music.  
 David R. Evans, b. Jan. 24, 1892.  
 Clyde A. Evans, b. Apr. 4, 1898.

Page 236. John Arthur Ellis (bro. to Charles Ranney Ellis), b.  
 July 4, 1858, m. Carrie Lewis, b. July 3, 1859, Orwell, Vt., dau.  
 of Roswell Rice Lewis and Mary Pitkin. Res. West Windsor, Vt.

Page 193. Martha<sup>6</sup> Ranney (Nathan<sup>5</sup>, Jeremiah<sup>4</sup>, Thomas<sup>3</sup>,  
 Thomas<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>), b. Aug. 23, 1793, Bethlehem, Conn., d. Apr.  
 10, 1869, Fair Haven, Vt.; m. Jan. 16, 1818, Levi Reed, b. Oct. 3.  
 1793; d. Apr. 24, 1874, Fair Haven, Vt.

*Children:*

- Fayette S. Reed, b. May 9, 1821, Moriah, N. Y., d. Feb. 2,  
 1907, No. San Juan, Cal.; m. Sept. 5, 1854, Helen Marr  
 Manter. *Child:*  
 Frank F., b. July 21, 1859; m. Res. in San Francisco.  
*Child:* Helen.  
 Corril Reed, b. Dec. 14, 1823, Moriah, N. Y., d. Nov. 6, 1892,  
 Fair Haven, Vt.; m. June 13, 1848, Marcia Ann Bridges,  
 b. Nov. 28, 1824, So. Deerfield, Mass.; d. July 30, 1903,  
 Fair Haven, Vt. Rem. 1849 from Moriah, N. Y., to Fair  
 Haven, Vt. *Child:*  
 Rolland Corril, b. Jan. 14, 1857; m. June 8, 1881, Mary  
 Ann McCarr, b. Aug. 31, 1854, St. Albans, England.  
 Wholesale merchant. Res. Fair Haven, Vt. *Children:*  
 Anne Franklyn, b. Apr. 2, 1882.  
 James Corril, b. May 16, 1885.  
 Rolland Leslie, b. Sept. 24, 1888.  
 Lewis Weed Reed, b. Nov. 30, 1826; d. Dec. 10, 1843.  
 Amelia Jane Reed, b. June 6, 1829; d. Apr. 9, 1830.  
 Nathan Ranney Reed, b. Aug. 15, 1831, Moriah, N. Y.; m.  
 Dec. 27, 1866, Fair Haven, Vt., Betsy Ann Adams. Res.  
 Fair Haven, Vt.  
 Helen Reed, b. Sept. 6, 1834, Moriah, N. Y., unm. Res. Fair  
 Haven, Vt.  
 Edgar P. Reed, b. Feb. 14, 1837, Moriah, N. Y.; m. Oct. 3,

- 1860, Columbus, Wis., Helen Mortimer. Res. Rochester, N. Y. *Children:*  
 Louis Mortimer, b. Jan. 5, 1863, Milwaukee, Wis.; m. July 8, 1889, Rochester, N. Y., Estelle McVean. *Children:*  
 Edgar Mortimer, b. Feb. 23, 1890.  
 Lester Harvey, b. June 18, 1892. .  
 Robert, b. Nov. 26, 1895.  
 Clara Isabel, b. July 11, 1871, Rochester, N. Y.; m. Dec. 19, 1900, William Seward Stroud of Portage, Wis. Res. Portage, Wis.

- Page 193. Children of Thomas Stow<sup>6</sup> Ranney and Mary Martin.  
 Mary<sup>7</sup> Ranney m. Albert Foster, settled in Whitehall, N. Y.  
*Child:*  
 Sherman<sup>8</sup> Foster, res. Bridgeport, Conn.  
 Oliver Perry<sup>7</sup> Ranney, d. Oct., 1892, Fair Haven, Vt.; m. Caroline Daniels of Rutland, Vt. *Children:*  
 Amelia<sup>8</sup> Ranney, b. June 26, 1850; m. (1) Fayette Rogers; (2) Elias Hughes, and res. Fair Haven, Vt. *Children by first marriage:*  
 Fuel, Carrie, Edith, Alice, Arthur.  
 Nathan<sup>8</sup> Ranney, b. Jan. 1, 1852; m. Electa Cooke, res. Fair Haven, Vt. *Child:* Nathan.  
 Thomas Stow<sup>8</sup> Ranney, b. Oct. 24, 1853; m. Lucy Thew of Keesville, N. Y., res. Fair Haven, Vt. *Children:*  
 Edith<sup>9</sup>.  
 Clayton<sup>9</sup>.  
 Leonard<sup>8</sup> Ranney, b. July 21, 1855; m. May Jackway of West Haven, Vt., res. Glens Falls, N. Y. *Children:*  
 Carlton<sup>9</sup>.  
 Beatrice<sup>9</sup>.  
 Loyal<sup>9</sup>.  
 George<sup>8</sup> Ranney, b. Oct. 6, 1860; m. ———— Cook, res. Fair Haven, Vt. *Children:*  
 George<sup>9</sup>.  
 Lucy<sup>9</sup>.  
 Mabel<sup>9</sup>.  
 Lily<sup>9</sup>.  
 Gertrude<sup>9</sup>.  
 Leslie<sup>9</sup>.  
 Charles<sup>8</sup> Ranney, b. Jan. 16, 1863; dead.  
 Helen<sup>7</sup> Ranney, m. (1) Sidney Smith; m. (2) John Wood of Fair Haven, Vt. *Children:*  
 Lewis Ranney<sup>8</sup> Smith, m. Amelia Ressigue, res. Santa Rosa, Cal. *Children:*



- Carrie<sup>9</sup> Smith.  
 Fannie<sup>9</sup> Smith.  
 Charles<sup>9</sup> Smith.  
 Edwin<sup>9</sup> Smith.  
 William<sup>8</sup> Smith, m. Lucia Fogg. *Children:*  
   Helen Minerva<sup>9</sup> Smith.  
   Walter I.<sup>9</sup> Smith.  
   Mabel<sup>9</sup> Smith.  
   Ida<sup>9</sup> Smith, all res. Fair Haven, Vt.  
   Charles Arthur<sup>9</sup> Smith, res. Sandy Hill, N. Y.  
 Alice<sup>8</sup> Wood, b. Feb. 6, 1853; m. Rev. Reuben Wright, res.  
   Boise City, Idaho. *Children:*  
   Edith<sup>9</sup> Wright, m. William McReynolds.  
   Margaret<sup>9</sup> Wright, m. Dr. Glenn Shawham, res. Boise  
   City, Idaho. *Child:*  
   Joseph<sup>10</sup> Shawham.  
 Adelaide<sup>8</sup> Wood, b. May 31, 1860; m. Herbert K. Shelddon,  
   insurance agent, res. Fair Haven, Vt.  
 Helen<sup>8</sup> Wood, b. Apr. 29, 1865, d. June 10, 1900; m. A. B.  
   Cole. He res. Greenwich, N. Y.
- Edwin<sup>7</sup> Ranney, m. Anna Carr. *Children:*  
   Emma<sup>8</sup> Ranney. Res. Boston, Mass.  
   Fannie<sup>8</sup> Ranney. Res. Revere, Mass.  
 Althea<sup>7</sup> Ranney, m. Jerry Bartholomew. Res. Richmond,  
   Iowa. *Children:*  
   Jerry<sup>8</sup> Bartholomew.  
   Anna<sup>8</sup> Bartholomew.  
   Jennie<sup>8</sup> Bartholomew.  
   James<sup>8</sup> Bartholomew.  
 Betsy<sup>7</sup> Ranney, m. Orrin Chapman, both dead.  
 Nathaniel<sup>7</sup> Ranney, dead; m. Hattie Davis. *Children:*  
   Edwin<sup>8</sup> Ranney, res. Riceville, Iowa.  
   Evilla<sup>8</sup> Ranney, m. Edwin Dunlop. Res. Token Creek, Wis.  
   Nellie<sup>8</sup> Ranney, res. Grand Meadow, Minn.

## PARDEE ADDENDA

See pages 675 and 676. David Pardee served from Southington, Conn., as sergeant under Capt. Asa Bray, April 3-May 15, 1779. He and his wife Phebe have headstones in Old Cromwell Cemetery.

Daniel Pardee m. Flora Bray, dau. of Capt. Asa Bray; served in Rev. war as follows:

July, 1779, 6 weeks under Capt. Bray and Col. Phelps.

June, 1780, 7 months under Capt. Ten Eyck and Col. Swift.

March, 1781, 1 year, corporal under Capt. Mathew Smith.

Engaged in battle Flagg Point, L. I. Pensioned No. 17,825, from 1832 to his death. Buried in West Cromwell Cemetery without a headstone.

### *Children:*

Bray.

Daniel, b. Jan. 9, 1787.

James.

Sally; m. Alanson Stow.

Fanny; m. John Brainard Smith.

Lydia; m. ——— Mathews.

Jesse, b. Mar. 18, 1802; d. Jan. 9, 1889.

John, b. July 7, 1806; d. Mar., 1884.

Jesse Pardee, b. Mar. 18, 1802; rem. in 1820 to Meadville, Pa., where he settled as a pioneer; m. Elizabeth Stainbrook, who d. Mar. 28, 1845.

### *Children:*

Sallie; m. Jackson Hunter.

Susan; m. Joseph Johnston.

Christian; m. Charlotte Barton.

Catherine; m. Albert Morse.

Mary; m. Jesse McFadden.

Esther, m. John Southwick.

John Henry; m. Julia Homan.

Emeline; m. Daniel Fowler.

Florinda, m. Joseph Girard.

Elizabeth; m. Joseph Girard as 2nd wife.

John Henry Pardee, b. Apr. 25, 1834; m. May 22, 1872, Julia Homan, b. Feb. 12, 1843.

*Children:*

Flora, b. Aug. 11, 1873; m. Sept. 2, 1902, John Frederic Kitchen. *Children:*

Jean McPherson, b. July 26, 1903.

Martha Pardee, b. Dec. 8, 1906.

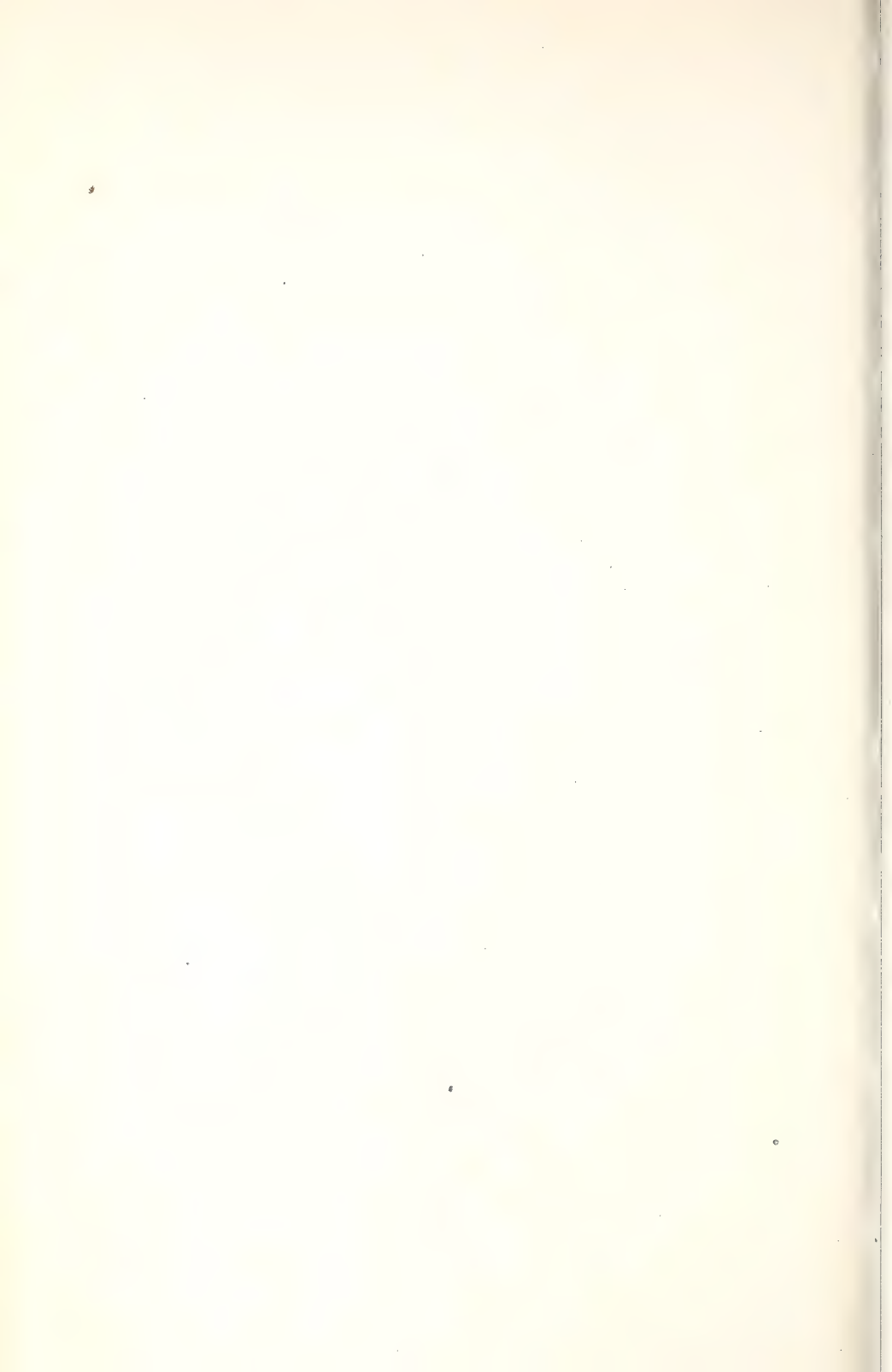
Fannie, b. Oct., 1874; d. June 14, 1886.

Jesse Homan, b. Dec. 1, 1875, unm. Mnfr. Res. Meadville, Pa.

Margaret, b. Apr. 3, 1880; m. Dec. 26, 1900, Albert Justin Dewey (Dr. Edward Hooker Dewey, author of scientific works).



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